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Hitler Bows to Benny Goodman

Several show biz personalities back from newly-occupied territories captured from the Axis report that the German radio, in a reversal of its fine tooth-combing policy to weed out anything that's not 100% 'Aryan', is now using Benny Goodman recordings for propaganda purposes. It sounds incredible but the Goodman music, together with Harry James and other Yank-made platters, are shortwaved by the Barring Washington and Tolly, its elaboned, with the Bitter to the Company of the Compa

Nazis, into North Africa, Sicily and Italy, its claumen, who are inlines sandwhiched in between.
While obviously no attempts are made to identify the U. S.-made
music, those who have heard it say the Goodman incorries-sick trademark is unmistakable. The feeling prevails that, with the Masis on
up the propaganda ballet with the use of the finest mediums available—
and hence the resort to the Goodman and James music.

Radio-Pix Names Of U. S. No Soan At Latin-Am. B.O.

V RAY JOSEPHS

y RAY JOSEPHS.
Buenos Aires, Nov. 30.
Increasing humber of U. S. films featuring radio personalities is worrying distribs and exhibs in the Latin-American territory, who find that many of the recently arrived stars are absolutely no go in Latin-America.

stars are assolutely long of in Lattin-America. America and appreciately difficult is the fact that some of the difficult is the fact that some of the personalities who, riding on radio popularity, turned out to be strong U. 5. boxoffee grossers, carri get be-yond first base here. because audi-nices haven't had the radio buildup and, furthermore, don't understand (Continued on page 40).

TAKES MAGIC NOW TO PRODUCE BOOZE

man.'
Although restraining Glazer from using the copyrighted address and the name "Think-a-Drink' Count-Maurice, the State Supreme court opinion reversed the lower court ruling against use of the magic act.

Walda Winchell's Debut

Walda WinCrell S Jebut Walda Winchell, Il-eyear-old daughter of Walter Winchell, probably will wake her side debut in a road-revival of 'My, Sister Elleen', being walder of 'My, Sister Elleen', being Cordon. The Joseph Felda-fer Rick Gordon. The Joseph Felda-fer Rick Gordon. The Joseph Coriginal Elector production ran more than two years on Broadway and Iwo other companies foured extensively. Columbia also made a picture exposite of the above.

Miss America 1943 War-Minded Beaut. Nix on Cheesecake Memphis, Nov. 30.

Miss America of 1943 is a changed woman.

woman.

Connoisseurs of the national glamor queen trade in the past wouldn't recognize the gal at all.

Something new has come out of Atlantic City.

Attantic City.

Time was when an editor or a photographer or a newseel canera-man could take a Miss America assignment in stride with full knowledge, that hed get art and story on a bathing beauty dollbaby with sundant as, and no regard for the works of Voltaur. So the strict of the control of the control

Times are no longer thus.

Times are no longer thus.

The Miss America for 1943 is no mere clothes horse; she's a horse about taking off her clothes. No-body's gonna get any unnecessary bashing suit art of Jean Bartel. Cheesceake is definitely out. She's She's a new species. She's a college co-ed, from the University of California at Los Angeles, and she has majored in music and dramatics. In her current tour, she's out to raise Bonds and some of the multitude of products merchandised by Level Bros.) and not to rais its blood pressure.

She positively refuses to pose for (Continued on page 36)

NOT FAR BEHIND

Performers Proceeding Gilberts to Give Shows

As evidence of the speed with which it's required to work, in following one step behind the troops and the multiplicity of battle grounds hat'll be involved in its 1944 operation. USO-Camp Shows has already received a directive to send its entertainers into the newly recoputed follows the step of the step

Gilbert Islands in the Pacific. It's even considered possible by the Camp Shows exces that some of the performers touring the South Pacific bases have already moved into the islands, in view of the fact that even before the Allied invasion of the Gilberts, one unit had staged some shows for Yanks valued within 200 miles of the area. miles of the area.

POSTWAR SETUP FOR FACTORIES

Some of Nation's Top In-dustrialists Would Underwrite Project of Supply-ing Entertainment for Em-ployees As Morale Builder —Central Agency Would Supply Talent

WARTIME HYPO

y GEORGE ROSEN

A posturar circuit of slage shows aimed at stimulating workers on their return to private enterprise is currently shaping up as an entire new phase of show business in the peace to come. Some of the nations top industrialists plan to underwrite the project.

Marshall Field. With Chicago U. **Branching Into Educational Pix**

Premature Indeed

John Royal, head of the NBC In-ternational Division, who last week returned from a month's lour of the Italian and North African war zones, took a swipe at party-dizzy home-fronters.

'It doesn't seem fair,' he cracked, 'It doesn't seem fair,' he cracked,
'for people to be making plans and
selling tickets for a Victory Ball with
those fellows getting their guts shot
out over there in Italy.'

USO-Camp Shows Budgets \$6,000,000 For Offshore Setup

their return to private enterprise is currently shaping up as an entire pace to come. Some of the nation's peace to come of the nation's peace to come. Some of the nation's peace to come of the nation's p

Presigning chrowching developments in the educational film production field is the reported entry into
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of a Western Electric subad. Epis
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educational field are that his initial
venture may lead out of the classclassroom Epis
Classroom Films Interest Products,
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was mainly concerned with the sale
studios when talking pictures first
appeared.
W. E. Das in recent years
decision withs. Allee bought some of



Nothing Manana About Mexico (And Its Show Biz) Right Now

RAMON REACHI

Ramon & Renim)
Mexico City, Nov.
The traditional Mexican expression
known about this country (manana)
has changed to ahera right nov).
The most astounding transformation
is goin here in past two
years.

years,
For example, two years ago there was only me thas night club, If years ago there was only me than a part club, If years ago the registration of the first night club in Mexico. Vincente Miranda. Within this short period the following cluss middle that the state of the control of the c years.
For example, two years ago there

innois recorms, boulevare, itso one talls, the Min-Kult will be managed by Gogf, a sauve Russian host in 160 years of the company of the comp pictures.
the legitimate. for the first time
(Continued on page 46)

JR. REINHARDT MAY DO 'MIRACLE' FOR WARNERS

Hollywood, Nov. 30.

igning of Wolfgang Reinhardt to
producer contract at Warners is
seen as indicating that the studio
will take The Miracle of the shelf
or early Binning. Son of the late
Max Reinhardt, who staged 'Miracle,
was formed and was the staged 'Miracle,' was formerly at Metro where made the last Garbo picture. B Dayis has previously been mentic for the Nun role Miracle.

Cantor 'Salutes' Kyser On Show Biz Tribute Teeoff

die Cahtor will lameh a 'Sa-lute to Show Business' erries, on his NBC 'show tonight ('Wed.). The 'Salute' will be a feature of his regular broadcast, and will comprise a tribute to those in the entertain-ment field who have furthered the war effort. Initial 'Salute' goes to Kay Kyser.

Par Pacts 6 Scripters

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To biolister the Paramount scenario
and six, N. Y. writers have been
kiven, studio contracts. They were
signed and selected by William
Those in the group are Vincent
McHugh, author of the best-seller,
1 Am Thinking of My Darling;
1 Am Thinking of My Darling;
2 have been supported to the radio show, The
olderge, I or the past seven years;
Theodore Strauss, aftm critic of the
New York Times, and David HorNew York Times, and David HorNew York Times, and David HorNew York Times, and David Horyoung playwrights.

Volga Cheer for Adolf

Hollywood, Nov. 30.

Walt Disneys Academy winning cartoon short, Der Fuehrer's Facc, will blow raspberries from the easten from tin a Russian translation to be released by the Soviet govern-

ne released by the Soviet government in Moscow.
Adaptation of dialog and lyries to fit the Russian scene was made by Leonid Kinskey, composer and playwright.

That Limb-Again

So Great Lakes knocked off Notre Danie last Saturday 19 to

Marke You've been reading the New York sports pages recently. This Notice Danie auditi was not only the top Toolball club of the season. It was better than the season. It was better than the season. It was better than the best South Bend team of all time. Brother, when New York best South Bend team of all time. Brother, when New York And Hong the Season. The Boston College also had the great eleven. Remember? A year up. That Boston College das the best team in all college football history. Poor Holy Cross, the final game, on the Boston College had a touch time for the season. It was only hernide das the best team in all college football history. Poor Holy Cross, the final game, on the Boston College had a touch time getting only cloud-how. Holy

getting one touchdown. Holy Cross? Poor Holy Cross

Crass* Poor Holy Cross
over 50 points.
It's all harmless enough. But
these annual building seem to inthese annual buildings seem to inYork papers have expanded on
football, the past 20 years, the
get he sports writers have determ of "it's just
about 20 years since the dailes
started to give football the inteine coverage. It now receives
and the property of the property of

Red Grange In '23 the sports writers were

In 23 the sports writers were still watchin garies with one eye no. railroad time-table with the other. Not forestilled with the other. Not forestilled with the other. Not forestilled watched the still still the still stil

New York.
Yea, it was like that in 23.
The dailies almost allowed anyone to cover football for them.
And while this was going on
John Royal (NBC) was walking
from Cleveland each week to any
Bit Tan resistance.

Big Ten matince. But to get back to last Saturay and the gam, everybady kept secret. Where were the networks? Why, they didn't even bother to pick to the last quarter at Great Lakes.

Jid you happen that fourth quarter?

Group to Further Negro Culture and Dramatics

Committee for Democratic Cul-ture. to deal with the cultural prob-lems of the Negro people and pre-sent their contributions in act and culture to the American public, is being formed by Max Yergan, Roward Fast, Herman Shumlin, Roward Fast, Herman Shumlin, Tred (Washington, Tred (Washington)

Fredi Washington.

Tentative program of the organization, calls for the popularization calls for the popularization calls for the popularization calls for the popularization in the popularization calls for the popularization calls for the popularization calls for the popularization contains the popularization contains the popularization contains the popularization calls of the popularization calls for the popularizatio

MARIANNE'S SHUTTLE

Marianne O'Brien reports to Warners lot Dec. 15 under a new film pact.

She may be farmed out by the studio to in Broadway



76th WEEK! KEN MURRAY'S

"BLACKOUTS OF El Capitan Theatre, Hollywood, Cal.

Carroll Beauts Serve Free Feed to Soldiers When Waiters Strike

Hollywood Nov. Soldiers, sailors and marines go the surprise of their various military

lives when in the Earl Carroll theatre and ate turkey dinners also gratis, served by waitresses arrayed in beads, ostrich plumes and emerald bracelets-the world's most antiful girls, accordthe portal.

Cause of this unwonted philanthropy in a theatre-restaurant was a strike of 75 waiters, cooks and barkeeps, who had walked out because six kitchen checkgirls had refused to ioin

Miscellaneous Restaurant When the strike was called Carroll can was called ... Carroll can-celled all reservations and invited about 200 service men to consume the food that might otherwise have

been wasted

the good and might concerned have concerned and might concerned with Attorney Jerry Greater saint for straining order against the Waiters Union so he can reopen his theater than the concerned and kitchen help. Carroll took full go his and kitchen help. Carroll gives his subject of help controvers under the subhead-ing. I suppose you are fed up he controvers under the subhead help controvers under the subhead help carroll give his subhead help carroll

trike was called according to Carroll, when he threatened court action after union failed to replace food checkers and cashiers.

WAR WORKERS MAKE IT PISTON PACKING MAMA

istol Packin' Many has unow turned into a war worker's morale sons. Gals at the Wright aeronautien branch of the Hudson Motor Co, here have strung their own lyrics on the popular time. The doctored

The doctored-up version o tune is called Piston Packin' M and goes like this: Working hard

But we are having fun;
We know if we do our work
well,

will soon be won.

Chorus:

Don't lay that piston down, babe,
Don't lay that piston down.
They're for rootin', tootin'

Yanks,
Don't lay that pision down.
The company reports that airplane
motor production is going up and,
what s more, the gals have elected a
'istori Packin' Queen.'

YOUR COPY OF 'VARIETY' MAY BE LATE Because of the exigency of war-time transportation

'Variety' may be late someti-during the Xmas mail rush. ies in reaching you, especially Delays occur after Variety

leaves our offices and are control.

THE THINKER

By ALAN LIPSCOTT

The thinker in radio is not a myth. He to the character who says: I think I'll take this out!

He is the character who says: I think I'll take this out!

But he can never think of anything to replace it with.

Wholly, non-creative, and not at all able.

He causally sits at the head of the conference table,

He consults at the head of the conference table.

With crossfire of the usual thinker's cliches:

I think this is not good radio!

I think this is not good radio!

I think this is not for the farmer!

I think this is not for the farmer!

As a live man is to an embalmer.

The thinker has a 50% chance with uess, And yet God never favors him. Cause he always says 'No,' when he should be saying,' But thank gondness there are not many of them... Cause I think that radio can do without any of them.

New York Runaround

By Radie Harris

Conversation overheard in Shubert's Alley between an incipient Orson Welley and an embryonic Maurice Evans.

"How you like your

" 'lle's fine, only his technique is the soul of brevity. 1st actor: 'What do you mean?'

2nd actor: 'Well, when he likes you he says, he gets another

When he doesn't

EXCLUSIVELY VOURS

Gay Bolton has been commissioned by Metro to swrite abother (ferm Hotel' for 'Weekeud' At the Waldorf', which will feature an ill-star can including Katharine Heiphurn, William Powell and Laui Tuurer. Arthur Introhlow, producer of this says, cheeked in from Hollywood, (10) and the star of the says of the Waldorf', when Germied Law-rence reviews Summissioned in the maleines by her presence, but then it wouldn't be a been completions in the audience by her presence, but then it wouldn't be a ben Golden possing. If he weren't... as soon, as John was Driein seen. Voice of the Turtle' acclaimed a hil, he'll return to his California ranch to Shin Golden possing. If he weren't... as soon, as John was Driein seen. Wolce of the Turtle' acclaimed a hil, he'll return to his California ranch to cake, she whiled the Sarayan's Get Away Old Man' was blg success, sa's one of its angels. ... It Norma, Shazer has disappeared from the Hollywood and New York scenes, it's because she's at the Atlanta Billioner, almost Durante has leasted a pentioner on particular or part a scene, but its retaining his room at the Astor-because he wants a 'good addrest but is retaining his room at the Astor-because he wants a 'good addrest

HEART TO HART

Many on Broadway are discussing the swell sportsmanship of Pet. Peter Lived Hanes for the graceful may be accepted harmsthis drunk routine, which was showstopper in Boston, seissned becomes of

it no one is more appreciative than Moss Hart. copy of the play to him, he dedicated it:

"To Peter Lind Hayes—who took the biggest Canal, and like a great pentenan."

BULLETIN BOARD

Mike Toda and Warner ... are huddling over the possibilities of bringing illustration belief in making before it hits the serven. This is the
more application of the property of the possibilities of bringporter socred for WB last summer. Very much in the style of 'Show Boal,'
Porter is so enhined about its Broadway possibilities to rulpilicate that
memorable musical, that he has Todd hypoed, too. Now, if Jack Warner
can be equally sold on the switch, 'Oklahoma' won't be the only state to,
get attention Main Stein... Lester Cowan, ited up with picture
annot to Love.' which his wife. Ann Ronnel, has corred, and wide, was to
have starred Rise Stevens, Instead. Cowan will present the Met songhird
in a screen exercision of The Royal Vagabond, yesteryear musical causedysuccess... If Whitford Kane haort one of the fattest roles of his long
carrier in Sweet Adumn't it wort be his fault. He wrote the play himself,
called the property of the worth of the property of the property

Now that Lass Come from the State of LASSIE .

Now that Lass Come from the State of the special content one of the finest pictures of the year form. The the state of the year of the special content of the state of the the state of the stat

TURTLE DOVE

Now that Voice of the Torte is nearing its Broading opining, John Van Druten int't so near that he should't have clearlyed the title. He has a premised the title. He has a premotion that all this practical-folking friends will fill this babtish at the Gotham with little turtles bearing waggish messages on their backs?

A typical Peter rno couple sitting in front of us at a performance of Othello were enthralled with the scene where Othello commands Desdemons to bring him her handkerchief.

As Paul Robeson grew more peremptory in his command, and Uta Hagen more distrait, the walrus-mustached 'Colonel' leaned over to his wife and whispered knowingly, 'Just like 'Angel Street'

Jeannette MacDonald's 'MASTER RACE' 1ST ON \$5.500 on N. O. 1-Niter **GOLDEN'S INDIE SKED**

denoted (or criecus, Nov. 30. A new indice producing, cump of conditions of the cond

Hollywood, Now 30.

A new indie producing company
as been organized by Edward
Golden, New firm has Golden's son,

OLDER MALE STARS' BIG B. O.

Hart Seeks Competitive Bidding On 'Winged Victory's' Film Percentages

Two film companies have expressed to all morning to said state of the right, to film consider the right, and the film should only cost \$1.500,000 to make, even in Technicolor. In view of the donated services of the film should only cost \$1.500,000 to make, even in Technicolor. In view of the donated services of the film should only cost \$1.500,000 to make, even in Technicolor. On that basis, the picture company cetting the deal is thus still out \$500.000 to film consider the right of the right company company that the right company company the right company that the right company the right consideration of the right considera

The big catch in consummating any deal lies in the following: the per-centage of the gross terms there-after:

Hart wants scaled bids on the slidhar wants scaled bias of the sid-ing percentages. Whether it will be a flat or graduating cut on the ross must be determined.

ross must be determined.

A couple of the picture executives are committed to the idea that there should be no profit to any company on a venture such as this, since it's for Army Emergency Relief Fund, but there are always stockholders' compilications when it comes to, 'iving away the company.'

ing away the company.

Victory would go to Hollywood in June, making the film version over the summer, and touring nationally from Hollywood castward, since it's figured the solidly until June at the 44th St. N. Y.

solidly until June at the 44th St. N. Y.

Härt- of course, would again dramate his services for the film version, as would feinry Hurner on set. Abc.

as would feinry Hurner on set. Abc.

is direction, and all the other sol-dier-artisans of the the third of the Air Forces in a direction. Hart has Major Wille Waler of the Air Forces in the prindiction. Hart has Major Wille Waler of the Air Forces in the film version, just as he didn'y want them wise vants. on names in the film version, just as he didn'y want them the stage version, although Gable. Stewart, et al. were mentioned as Execution of the stage version, although Gable. Stewart, et al. were mentioned as the stage of the stage of

Par Pays Off Dance Act in Fatal Air Crash

Hollywood, Nov. 30. Jeanne Lorraine, widow Roy Rognan, who died in an air crash in Lisbon, was paid \$8,750 voluntarily by Paramount. Payment, represents half the \$17,500 called, for, in a two picture dancing contract which the team was unable to fulfill as a result of the crash: which Miss Lorraine

he's sont letter's of warning to the sont in the cast not to bring peter form the cast not to bring peter follows the sont in the cast not to bring peter follows the sont in the cast not to bring peter follows the sont in the cast not to bring peter follows the sont in the sont in

Hired-Help Switch The domestic help situation has produced some stran sults.

Frank Bonacchini, host of the swank Coq Rouge, N. Y. nitery, is authority for the stalement that Thursday night dinner trade, always good because of maids night out, is now double boff.

Master and mistress are now hosting the hired help on their nights out.

Neb. Senator Scores \$6,000,000 'Waste' By CIAA on Pictures, Radio

Washington, Nov. 30. Washington, Nov. 30.
Spending on jetures and radio in Latin-American countries by the Coordinator, of Inter-American Afairs came in for a stiff pounding for the Coordinator, of Inter-American Afairs came in for a stiff pounding control of the Coordinator of th ministration spokesmen, including Nelson D. Rockefeller, CIAA di-

rector.
Butler, whose statement was strongly angled toward the 1944 political campaign, complained that CIAA was handling more than 2000 tillical campaign, complained that control the 200 tillical campaign was been consisted. He listed amounts which he said were being expended this year in the various nations for motion picture and radio programs, country for the production of the pix and, for shortwave broadcasts. Presumably, the tunds referred to the production of the pix ambibly, the tunds referred between the country for the not received to distribute and control to the production of the pix country for the pix country for

FRIARS FROLIC GROSSES \$5,600: BERNIE TRIBUTE

Friars Clubs annual Froile at the Winter Garden, N. Y.. Monday night 1991, was deciderated this year to the memory of Ben Bernie, late Abbott. An miside-cover photo of Bernie appeared in the program and the house orchestra played a special overture of the program and the Bernie appeared in the program and the Bernie appeared in the program and the Bernie in Chudding America (Percelor, 1997).

House was capacity for the show, conceed by Millon Berle, Jay C. Flippen and Mickey Alpert. Gross was around \$5.600.

not around \$3.500.

rolic was under direction of Bill Braidell, with Dick Henry handling the backstage. Program carried a message of welcome from Michael Todd, newly-elected Abbott.

H'wood Tax-Slapped

Los Angoles, Nov. 30.
Uncle Sam, thhough Internal Revenue Collector Harry Westover. Riscolosed a list of Hollywood show-folks who, have been plastered with income tax tiens.

wave been plastered with income tax items, one tax

KIDS, ANIMALS, HIT JACKPOT, TOO

Miliennium has about been reached in Hollywood during the past two seasons for screen Casanovas be-yond middle age, greybeards, lescents and animal stars.

two-year period.

mount. Wanners and RKO over a two-year peino.

Most of the top male stars: stade as by 8.0 winners; gar well into or beyond their forties. Noted on curtain their stars of their forties. Noted on curtain their stars of their stars of their stars of their stars. Ronald Colman: Adolphe Meajon. Gerbett Marshall Shrian Ahren. General Stars of their stars

Brown. Reported by company exect incidentally, that as a result of the need for using all available talent, prices with could have been engaged for \$20,000 per picture (two seasons back now snift at \$75,000. It is pointed out, however, that in an exceptionally large number of cases these engaged for the process of the p a worthwhile investment even at the

Wilkerson Took Orders From Bioff: Tells All in Film Shakedown Trial

Booker's Lure

DOOKER'S LUFE
In effort to persuade acts in
take Miami engagements one.
New York booker has elipped
newspaper photos showing recent upstale snowfalls. He's
pasted them up in his office
with capition, Miami, I Hear You
Calling.
Travel and have

Travel and hntel ifficulties make acts reductant to accept Florida dates.

Defense Dazzles Jury With 230G Shakedown Checks of RKO, Loew's

Checks totaling mnre than \$230,829 from Loew's and RKO, alleged by

Checks totaling mirre than \$200,829 from Loow's and RKO, allered by defense attorneys to represent pay offers attorneys to represent pay to defense attorneys to represent pay to defense attorneys to represent pay to defense attorneys to represent pay to the pay to

Browne to Averte introduced as evidence and curvaluted among the visual content of the content o

The fine women and three men on the jury gazed with something akin to awe at the checks drawn during 1935, 36 and 37 in amounts (Continued on page 20)

Federal Wednesday (24) Court Wilkerson, publisher of the Hollywood Reporter, told of makin

wood Reportei, told of makin narrement with Willie Bloft whereby no news of studio labor relations are the IATSE would be published in the Reporter during a specific period, wherever also identified a telegran whereven also identified a telegran whereven also identified as telegran article that had displeased the particle that had displeased the pander and in while he expressed will instruct the december of the particle with the particle with the particle will be the particle with the particle will be the particle with the particle will be the parti

wine from his restaurant enterprises.
Wilkerson also indicated that he
did not always believe in the contents or subject of articles he wrote
in the Reporter under his own by-

The Wilkerson telegram to Bioff, read to the jury by Prosecutor Boris Kostelanetz, follows.

Dorsey Bros. Into Day 'n' Date Competish Xmas Week on B'way

Tommy

To

Services; 200 Casualties

Services; 200 Casualties
James Sauter, coordinator of the
National Entertainment Industry
Council, setting up final de-tails for the dedication of a show business service flag in Times Squire on Pearl' Hurbor Day, Dec. 7, dis-closed this week that the number of persons from all braitches of slow biz currently serving in the armed forces now totals 85,000.

forces now totals \$5,000.

The casualites list, says Sauter, exceeds 200. Symbolizing those in uniform and those who lost their lives with a blue and gold star respectively. The flag will be delicated by Mayor La Guardia, with representatives from the various branches of show bix in attendance.

Al Jolson is now on the Coast in preli mary huddles with Columbia Pictures Minstrel Boy, his

screen biog. Jolson will also produce it, heing under a Col. production contract:

POUNDED SIME OF VARIETY Sal Slycfman, Prechail 151 West 45th St. New York 12.

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War Activities

NBC-USO's 'Soldiers in Greasepaint' **Wow Tribute to Foxhole Players**

Dedicated in himble acknowledgement of a self-effacing people, IMECs. Sodiers in Greaspoint round-the-globe Thombagiving: Day IMECs. Sodiers in Greaspoint cuits and whose enormous contribu-tion to war morale is helping to

tion to war morale is helping to speed the victory of as a reminer. Likewise, it served as a reminer port of the National War Fund can USO hope to step up its operation during 1944, when a steady stream of 'soldiers in greasepaint' must be maintained on all the fighting fronts. The broadcast, marking the second, raised the cuttain or a new whate of

mniversary of the Camp Shows, also raised the curtain on a new phase of the morale agency's activities, for from here on almost complete emphasis must be directed at developing the overseas circuit. A varied program by performers who spanned by Miller to Shakebpeare while camps-showing, with a cut-in, at Camp and the companions of the cut-in and companions of the cut-in and companions of the companions of the cut-in and cut of the cat-gut f, it was for the most part a smouthly-paeed show, despite a brief lapse duc to mechnical diffi-culties in making N. Y.-to-Plollywood and N. Y.-to-Panama contact. Ironi-(Continued on page 14)

Plans Set to Unveil Show Biz Service Flag On B'way on Dec. 7

Plans have been virtually set by James N. Sauter for the unveiling of the show business service flag in Times Square, N. Y., Dec. 7 (Pearl Harbor Day).

Mayor LaGuardia will be the principal speaker at the ceremonies; the choral group from Moss. Hart's "Winged Victory" and an Army band will furnish the music. There will also be a corps of WAC's taking part.

also be a corps of WAC's taking part. Flag, encompassing the men and women from all branches of the entrainment industry, will have 78,-795 blue stars and 134' gold stars. These figures, however, do not tell the entire story of show biz-ites in service, as a number of organizations have not maintained complete records.

Metro's Yule Package To Men in Service

Net mich III JETNUE
Metro has shipped out approximately 2.500 boxes to former employees now in the service as Christone and the service as Christone and women have gone to both the service as the servi

40-Page Booklet Records Pix Work in Dimes Drive

Printed record of the film indus-try's participation in the March of

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Two New Units Arrive In **England for Morale Tours** London, Nov. 5.

New arrivals for USO-Camp Shows are Sid Marion, Cliff Hall, Frances McCoy, Jo Andrews, Howard Nichols, Canfield Smith, Kathleen Quini and Gertrude Simmons. irst five which will b

named Bubbling Over." Second unit will be headed by George Freems, already here, and will include Canfield Smith, Kath-leen Quinn, Gertrude Simmons and Three Donna Sisters, English act.

With these units, USO-CS ave 14 complete outfits in acti

Thomson SAG Post to Dales

.. succeeds Kenneth the Screen Actors Guild at the end of the year when Thomson's resignation goes into effect. Appointment was made by the Guild board as a result of Dales' work as assistant executive secretary for six years. durin which time he handled much of the administrative work. Thom-son was voted an honorary life mem-bership for his long and valued service to the Guild.

Murray Kinnell continues as administrator of the agency division, with added executive duties, and Pat Somerset remains as labor contact and director of the membership department. Laraine Day, Lena Horne and Gene Kelly were appointed to the board of directors.

11th Naval Dist. Budget For Entertainment Hiked

San Diego, Nov. 30. Entertainment and recreational fa-Entertainment and recreational Ex-citities have assumed such im-portance in the eye of the Navy, or returning as well as departing for returning as well as departing the Morale and Recreation Dept. in the 11th Naval District have been histed to \$500,000 for the current year years ago. Staff, under command of LL Condr. Leo Calland, aims its forts at skedding shows, dances, etc., in providing healthy diversion etc. in providing healthy diversion hospitals.

hospitals.

Eighty-nine shows, playing to over \$5.000 attendance, were booked in this district in one month (Oct.).

For a time, big names in show the big names in show the big names in show the big names in the big names of the big names in th

U.S. Tries 26 Shorts To Head Off Inflation

Hollywood, Nov. 30. Chow and inflation are two subjects to be explained in a series of 26 shorts to be made here under supervision of Bert Cummings, of the War Food Administration; and Herman Hettinger, of the Treasury. Cummings will huddle with Universal on briefies dealing with the food situation and Hettinger, will function as technical advisor on shorts dealing with anti-inflation at Paramount.

Washington, Nov. 30.
The People's Avengers, new Soviet war documentary film made by Soviet cameramen working with guerrillas behind the enemy lines, was announced by the Russian Embassy, states the seen events.

assy here.
Embassy states the film has just
een previewed in Moseow.

Show Biz Mobilizes To Aid Nat'l War Fund Drive

ANU NAL I WAI I TAIL THAN TO Chairmen of the component com-mittees of the general entertainment industry council conferred on Fri-day (26) with James A. Farley, gen-cral chairman of the commerce-industry division for New York City, participation in the National War Fund, to map further participation of the com-Fund, to map further participation of show biz in achieving the \$17,000,000 goal set for N. Y. Total of \$11,000,000 has been fixed for Farley's division, with \$300,000 of that amount as the quota for the entertainment industry. Farley concurred in the expres-sions voiced at the luncheon, held at the Aston bold. That the contribute

sions voiced at the Juncheon, neid at the Astor hotel, that, the contribu-tions of show biz can't be measured in terms of dollars and cents raised, in view of the overall pitch that's made via talent, time, etc., which runs into the equivalent of millions of dollars.

in view of the overall pitch that's made via Julent, time, etc., which runs into the equivalent of millions. While vouching, along with the other show biz representatives, in attendance, for the full support of Equity in the campaign for funds, produced the state of the state of the full support of Equity in the campaign for funds, produced the state of the state of

victory.

Luncheon was called by James
Sauter as head of the entertainment industry committees working in be-half of the War Fund.

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accordionist, have been touring North African rest camps and hospitals.

U. S. Rollcall

P. Colassin's Citatina
For heroic service in the Tunisan
ampaign last spring, a former film
exchange booker, Pvt. Harold A.
Goldstein, has been awarded the
Silver Star for adding in the rescue
enemy fire near Stalion de Sidi Nair,
Tunis, in a tank battle last April.
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Sullivan's Operation.
Neil Sullivan, 48, RKO Pathe News
cameraman, who received the Purple
Heart decoration, returned to New
York last week for a leg operation,
Sullivan was wounded in the timebomb explosion in Naples.

Lewis, McKitrick Go In Kansas City, Nov. 30.

James Lewis, manager of the RKO branch here: Army. Raymond McKitrick, booker at the same exchange, Marines.

\$8.000.000 to \$9,000,000 Pix Rentals This Year From Army Camp Theatres

SOPEG Sends 500 Xmas Gifts to Men in Service

Over 500 Christmas packages have been sent out by the Screen Office and Professional Employees Guild, Local 109 of the CIO, to members now in the armed forces in this.

Local lus of the CIO, to members now in the armed forces in this country and overseas. Union represents the white-collar workers in most of the homeoffices of film companies, exchanges and theatre circuits.

OWI Overseas Pic Plan Stepped Up

As a prelude to the large-scale activity seen 'around the corner' for the OWI Overseas Film Bureau in rushing American films into newlyrushing American films into newly-occupied zones to thus pave the way for reorientation of civilian popu-lations, Robert Riskin, head of the division, arrived in London Monday, (29) to check on the operation of the film setup to date. Riskin, who will look into the future plans for film distribution in the various theater of operations, will discuss with Ameri-can and British officials the various film problems pertinent to the war and later visit other areas for sim-

and later visit other areas for similar discussions.

On the heels of the certainty of Congressional approval of the \$5.000,000 allotment for expanded OWI overseas activity, guaranteeing the Film Division a sizable chunk of the solvent account of the control of th

sutes to 14 languages_instead of the previous seven. Normal operations, it's pointed out, involving the truns-fer of the manifold activities to the major companies with their civilian staffs_cannot be expected until the fighting itself ends.

Charles Skouras Will Chairman 4th War Loan

Charles Skouras, president of Fox West Coast Theatres, will serve as chairman of the film industry's campaign in the Fourth War Loan drive, from . 1. Feb. 15. SI Fabian, chairman of the Activities Committee, theatres division.

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Committee: theatres division.

The U. S. Treasury, with an objective of \$14,000,000.00 in War Bond sales, is counting on the industry's proven ability to showman-se' the drive. Skours, who is expected to select his co-workers with in the next, few days, stated until the country of the industry particulation will be selected to select his co-workers with the particular of the country. The country of the country.

N.Y. to L.A.

Emmett Callahan Perry Charles, Sain Dembow, Jr. Tom Fizdale. Leonard Goldenson. Leonard Goldenson. Harry Levine. Lou Lusty. Bert Prager. Paul Small. Robert M. Weitman. Film 'rentals from army camp the transport of the continental U. S. A, while held down by major distributed between \$4,0000 and \$8,000,000 an

periods

Laraine Day Squawks Brasshats Monopolize Femme Stars on Tour

Femmle Stars On lotur Hollwood, Nov. 30 Charles Day yeterday (Mon) claimed that commissioned officers were incorpoliting most of the time of him stars making camp tours, of him stars making camp tours, which was the star of the star o

She added that upon 'comparing notes with other actresses who visited the camps, she discovered that they had run into the same sort of thing. Miss Day, who is married to an enlisted man, Put Ray Hendricks, explained that the officers were as the comparined that the officers were as the comparined that the contentary the enlisted men and I didn't get much chance to do it."

Am Solhern, who is the wife of an officer, Licut. Robert Stering, reported that he took no chances on her recent four. When I arrived at camp, 'she said, 'I would let he special service officers that I had come to entertain the enlisted personnel, and that teas and dinner particularly of the company of th

Shrine Ice Show Will **Cheer Wounded Warriors**

Annual Shrine tee Carnival, set for December 1 in Carnival, set for December 1 in Carnival, set for December 1 in Carnival, set for State 1 in Carnival, set for State 1 in Carnival in Ca

to appear in the carnival.
Shriners will entertain wounded soldiers, sailors and marines who are recuperating in local hospitals as well as nurses engaged in infantile paralysis work here.

L.A. to N.Y. Joan Bennett.

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George Browne.
Lloyd Brownfield.
Kitty Carlisle.
Lloyd Coulter.
Marjoric Davies.
Myron Dutton.
Steve Edwards.
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Sgt. Jerry Lawre
Luigi Luraschi.
Bob Moss.
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43 THEATRE BIZ AT NEW T

Question Size of Foreign Markets When Lend-Lease No Longer Needed

ven as film company presidents are seanning recommendations from their foreign departments for moving into foreign markets on the heels of the company of th

Sacramento. Nov. 30.

Motion picture wage carners drew
less pay in October than they did in
September, but more than they did
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circles.

Discussions among company presidents in recent weeks, meantime, have dealt largely with the foreign situation and the reestablishment of regular commercial distribution abroad as soon as the OWI is ready to wind up in the respective liberated areas.

U EDITORS HACK AWAY AT 14 COMPLETED PIX

Hollywood, Nov. 30.
Universal's cutting room is getting the heaviest play in its history, with 14 features in various stages of edit-

14 features in viaious are Tairiek in the cutting process are Tairiek the Creat. Her Primitive Man. Weekend Pass, Moonlight in Vermont, The Impostor, Calling Dr. Death, "Ladies Courageous, "Phantom Lady," Gung Ho, "The Mummy's Clinist," All Bush. Chip Offices, All Bush. Chip Office, and Cobra Woman.

Col. Sets Vets for Short

On Industry's 50th Anni Hollywood Nov. 30.

Oldtimers around Hollywood are being rounded up by Ralph Staub for Columbia's fortheoming short which wilt commemorate the golden

anniversary of the industry.

Among those who are set for the pie are Mary Pickford. Alan Ilale. pie are Lionel D. W. Lionel Barrymore. Harry Carey. D. W. Griffith, C. B. DeMille and Tony Gaudio, cameraman.

Tim Tagged Again

Hollywood, Nov. 30.
RKO handed a new director contract to Tim Whalen, abrogating the old pact which still had several months to run.
New terms.

Next assignment for Whalen will be a musical starring Frank Sinatra.

BUT RATE OF INCREASE SLOWS

Studio Pay Tapers Off

Cut Attendance Seen Result Of New Amus, Tax

Washington, Nov.
Senate, Finance Committee has
started work this week on the new
tax, bill which passed the House last
Wednesday (24). with its 20% levy
and missions, 30% on nitery cheeks
and 5% on pari-mutual grosses.
While there is no definite indication
of what the Senate will do, general
opinion here is that the anuscment

world will probably remain stuck with the increased bite.

There was only feeble protest in the House when the \$2,139,000,000

revenue measure rode through under a gag rule, with its 100% increase on theatre taxes.

on theatre taxes.

Rep. Vietor Wiekersham, Oklahoma Democrat, profested that 'the theatre tax increase will destroy its own-purpose by reducing attendance. It will raise no more revenue, and it will harm the theatre industry. It will region to of people of a 'Wickersham was backed up by Rep. Jarold Krutson, Minnesota Republican, a ranking member of the (Continued on page 14).

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With the National Theatres eir-eult of around 515 houses on basis of earnings to date heading for a record-breaking gross operating profit, estimated at from \$16,000,000 to \$17,000,000 for 1912, a considerable increase during 1913 over 1942 in both gross and net profits for vir-tually all major chains is indicated.

totally all majler chains is indicated. Most important jump in earnings for the current year's operations is likely to be shown by RKO Theatres (around 100 houses including Mort 100 houses including Mort 100 houses including Mort 100 houses including Mort 100 houses in the property of the most including mort in the more including the more including more including more including more including the more including the more including the more including the more including improvement in net profits which were reported at \$3,000,000 for 1942. RKO Theatres net 100% to 100% one the 1941 flower of \$1,14205.

Loews, Warners and Paramount chains are also showing substantial increases in both gross and net profits over 1942.

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RKO's 39-Week Profit \$5,000,000: 20th Net Likely \$9,500,000 for 1943

British pictures in the U. S.

New York. Talk.

Talk of the possibility that Rank inght extend his distribution setup to the U. S., has been persistent in New York lim circles for weeks. That he might establish his own distribution scrip in this country was no big surprise to American Investment of the American Investment of the American Investment of the British dim business should want to expand into the profitable U. S. market.

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Mrs. Larry Kent and Son Have Close Call in Fire

Mile and sho of Larry Kent, ex-centive assistant to Spyros Skouras. 20th-Fox press, escaped serious in-jury last week whom a fire broke out their apartment building in Phoe-oux. Actions. Mrs. Kent and three-year-old son were resented from the burning

olis. Acizona, and toggin Proc-olis. Acizona, Mrs. Kent alo, three-year-old son were rescived from the burning building by a course or soldiers. The former suffered some burns, from accounts, though the box was barned.

To Roadshow 'Twain

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Hollywood, and choose the court has come re-

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New Decree Likely With Pools to Be **Eliminated and Chain Limitations**

A new decree and one on which general accord will be reached, sat-isfying both the distribution and ex-hibition sides as a compromise in the face of, what has been experienced

face of what has been experienced during the past three yelses under the old consenting agreement, looks promising at an entry date, according band in the negoliations. The optimism in decree circles for n amedied set of regulations to the past of the marketing of the set of the negoliation of the negoliation of the negoliation of the set of the negoliation of the negoliation of the negoliation of the set of the negoliation of the negoliation of the negoliation of the set of the negoliation of the negoliation of the negoliation of the set of the negoliation of the negoliation of the negoliation of the set of the negoliation of t by this high executive as beling, very-reasonable, palient and understand-ing. As contrasted with his prede-cessor. Thurman Arrold, he has and cessor. Thurman Arrold, he has and the decree and, it's stressed, that will go a long way toward a meeting of minds on a decree that, in the word of in- decree negotiator in ques-tion, should be, a good one. though Clark may approve a new and modified decree, embracing pro-and modified decree, embracing pro-

though Clark may approve a undulinding decree, embracing pro-visions not contained in the old con-traction of contained in the old con-traction of contained in the old con-traction of the contraction of the con-traction of the con-traction of the contraction of the con-traction of the con-tra

Cancellations
Declared likely in higher circles Declared likely in higher circles that a new decree will contain a provision for the elimination of all pooling arrangements, and certain restrictions against the acquisition of additional theatres, but pointed out in connection with latter that the possibility is acquisitions or building of theatres will be permitted where growing territories issuit, that in growing territories justify that in line with a natural development of the industry or where a distributor, shut out of a town finds its necessary

shut out of a town finds its necessary to go into the situation in order to get product played, an acquisition in such a case being a matter of protecting an investment.

It is also probable that larger blocks with cancellation privileges, such as proposed by the United Motion Ficture Industry, will be incorrectly in the production of opposition may be raised to ending of all pools and any restrictions on acquisitions that might be too se-

vere.
Clark was in N. Y. last week but Clark was in N. Y. last week but on matters other than those pertain-ing to the decree. Before another meeting is held with decree com-pany executives, he is holding meet-ings with exhibitor groups to dis-cuss proposals and recommendations. Meantime, no new proposals have been made by the distribs.

10 YEARS FOR ROBBER OF AMBASSADOR, ST. L

St. Louis, Nov. 30.

James L. Jenkins, Jr., 24, who obtained \$1,200 when he held up attaches of Fanchon & Marco's Ambasador last May 2, copped a 10-year jolt last week when he pleaded guilty to four charges of armed robbery. Jenkins admitted to the court that he outsided a fold of \$1,857 in the four obtained a fold of \$1,857 in the four stickups. Sentence was imposed by Circuit Judge Edward M. Ruddy. At the time of his arrest as a sus-

pect Jenkins maintained his inno-ence until his wife, Emma, fetched a broiled steak, barbecued ribs and cookies to his police headquarters cell and urged him to 'tome clean', no common crime wave that had the cops running around in circles. Terrell Gaines, Negro, 21, who was sentenced to five years after being convicted on a burglary charge for breaking into the Circle, Kamman seatchcales courtison sessore. After pect Jenkins maintained his

cell and urged him to 'come clean.' I relations for RNU, has usen sensus. The ten made a clean breast of his as arbitrator representing film homeomenan crime wave that had the cops running a clean breast of his as arbitration representing film homeomenan crime wave that had the cops running a breast a companion of the convicted on a burglary charge head of the creen Publicists, Guild for hipser convicted on a burglary charge for seases under the second year of twenders and the convicted on the

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Using a fleet of passenger cars, they pulled kids off theatre lines and off

pulled kids off theatre lines and off the streets, taking them away in the cars and returning for new loads. While Broadway theatres co-operated in removing kids who looked like minors from lines and, in most cases, have been careful of late to avoid the sale of tickets to minors funder 16), pointed out that its extremely difficult to judge age these days, obecally in the range. On Monday (29) when the drive

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On Monday (29) when the drive against the waywards and delinquests occurred, three gifes of the drive against the waywards and the second of the drive against the waywards and the second that all were over the age and furthermore all held social security cards. The three girls card the drive against the drive and the drive against the

WB TALENT ROSTER HITS HIGH AT 235

Hollywood, Nov. 30. Talent contract list at Warners has reached a new high of 235, a boost of 100 since last January. Top players signed since that time include Joan Crawford, Walter Huston and Robert Alda, while 46 featured thesps have been acquired from other lets.

In addition, the Warners writing staff now goes well over the 100 mark.

Major Thompson to Act For Cos. in SPG Parleys

Major Leslie E. Thompson, RKO theatre executive in charge of labor relations for RKO, has been selected

Studio Contracts

Hollywood, Nov. 80 Warners picked up Jack Carso option.
Put Starling's minor contract with
Charles R. Rogers approved by

Charles n. Mosco — court,
Mona Maris signed to star in two pictures to be made in Mexico City by Pancho Alarcon and Julio Bracho.
Juy Page, stepdaughter of Jack L. Warner, drew player contract at

Warner, drew player contract detro. Eileen McClory inked player pact

Julic Bishop's option icked up by B. J. Graham handed acting ticket

at Columbia.

Dusty Anderson signed player contract at Columbia.

Signid Gurie inked two-picture
contract with Ripley-Monter Produc-

Arturo de Cordova aramount for one year.

Gail Russell's player option lifted

Gail Russells player option
by Paramount.
Jean Sullivan's player option
picked up by Wacners.
Paul Langton, little theaire actor,
signed by Metro.
Hank Daniels, tennis player, drew

Det. Op's Plan To Nip Delinguency

Detroit, Nov.
The theatre, which has suffered plenty from vandalism of kids today, is starting to apply the direct anti-dote here. To establish a Youth color to the Krim theatre in that large sub-these special midnight show utilizing kid and volunteer professional talent to mise tunds for coping size of the Krim theatre in that large sub-these special midnight show utilizing kid and volunteer professional talent of mise tunds for coping size of the start of the size of

ment were given free for the work of getting a clubhouse where young sters could work off steam.

Curfew Works in Mpls

Minneapolis, Nov. 30.
Theatre vandalism has decreased here since enactment and enforcement of a new curfew ordinance re-

here since enlectment and enforcement of a new curtew ordinance rement of a new curtew ordinance rement of a new curtew ordinance rethe streets after 9:00 p. m. The
measure makes parents of oldending
children and exhibitors and storekeepers permitting youngsters on
their premises after the curtew hour.
This week police arrested
parents of seven children curtew
violators, among them Dell Bourke,
who was associated with the Rev.
L. Soltau, vice-crusader in the
Bourke's 14-year-old son had been
picked up by the police in connection with investigation of four auto
thefts. An older son was killed by
the policy of the policy of the
burglary lack May.
So far no exhibitors or storekeepers have been arrested.

FATTER POKES FOR REP'S RANGE RIDERS

Hollywood, Nov. 30.

Wild Bill Elliott and Don (Red)
Barry, saddle stars at Republic, move
up into the high-budgets class with
Roy Rogers under a new decision by
studic excess who are alming future
westerns at class ' theatres in key
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cities.

In recent pictures the Rogers budgets have run more than \$250,000.

Elliott and Barry, slated for eight pictures each, will be hoisted into higher financial brackets.

Red Ryder's Long Ride

Red Ryder, newspaper strip character, once the hero of a film clift-hanger, will be port-ayed in a series of eight westerns at Republic.
Wild Bill Billott draws the title role with the first picture stated to start in two weeks.

FP Can.'s 50c Divvy

Famous Players Canadian, Ltd., declared a 50c dividend last week. Divvy is payable Dec. 31 to stock-holders of record Dec. 15;

********** Lefty's Notebook

By Joe Laurie, Jr.

Deer Joe:

I have had less thin half a dozen great thrills in the theatre. I mean thrills that stand out in my mind further than Jimmy Durantle's nois.

One of my first thrills was the horse vace in 'Old Kentucky'—live horse on a treadmill—and I ddin't know then that the trace was fixed and the hero's horse was going to win! Then came that never-to-be-forspotten operations are not seen to be the seen to be the seen to be seen to be the seen to be seen to be the seen to be seen

acting as a chorus. My on human cases of stars sealed around him. By most recent third was the open in high for Wingled Vitery. There has a chorus of the control of the co

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Three hundred in a cast is tops in people employed in a show outside of
a pageant or the Hippodrome shows It Delicve latter had it couple of hundred chipployees, counting stagehands, animal handlers, etc.). Way back in
1788 there were 70 or 80 persons in a theatrical company that was playin
in Washington and Ballimotre.
Speaking about the 18th Centitry, I ran across in inventory of stageproperties officered for sale at the Drury Lane, England, which included
the following peculiar items:
Spirits of right Nantiz brand, for lambgat flames and apparations.
Three bottles and a halt of lightning.
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Two showers of browner sort

consisting of a dozen large waves, the tenth bigger than ordinary

a little damaged. dozen and a half of clouds trimmed with black and well conditioned. oxen moon, somewhat decayed. oxen sight gown. trs. Porter's petiticoal, left her by Queen Elizabeth.

Roxana's figure govern.

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A serpent to sling Cleopatra.
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A suit of clothes for a ghost, viz: A bloody shirt, a doubled curiously
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A plume of feathers, never used but by Eodipus and the Earl of Essex.
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a backpiece, a breastplate, a bell, a tub and a jointed babari, a befinet,
a backpiece, a breastplate, a bell, a tub and a jointed babari, a befinet,
Time sure they forgot to list a couple of hams, see.

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cannot so easily replaced also in-tense industry. Under the new order for Chicago, Unil compliance with the 45-year. Only compliance with the 45-year. Between now and then, however, this will press for exemption the same as pends for Dailan, Oklahoma. Having previously obtained exemp-tions in Washington, Buffalo, Clerchan land and other keys in labor-short-age zones, the distribusing exemp-tions in Washington, Buffalo, Clerchan Los Angelfel on, appeal after the WMC Uhere had otdered backroom-employee on a 48-hour week, and hour schedule.

Eight Rolling at WB Hollywood, Nov. 30.

With four new features slarting this week, Warners will have a total of eight before the lenses. Newcomers are 'Cinderella Jones,' Mask for Dimitrios,' Hollywood Canteen' and 'The Horn Blows at Midmight.' Already in work are 'Between Two Worlds,' hapsody in Bline,' Mr. Skeffington' and 'My Reputations'.

NO KNOXVILLE SUN. PIX

Michigan Nov. 30.
Sunday movies have lost out in another Tennessee city.
Knoxville citizenry voted 5.805 to 5.124 against legalizing flickers on the Sabbath.

OVER SINATRA SHORT

Frank Sinatra's first film starrer for RKO, 'Higher and Higher,' is the basis of suit in N. Y. federal court against Time. Inc., which is charged with threatening to release a two-reel picture of the singing star entitled 'Music At War,' a forth-coming 'March of Time' issue, RKO seeks a permanent injunction re-straining Time from releasing the film (through 20th Century-Fox) which was made when Sinatra ap-peared at the Waves training station at Hunter's College, N: Y., in No-

at Hunter's College, N. Y., in No-comber.

RKO charges that Time delib-erately made pictures and sound-tracks of Sinatra singing at the WAVE training station, with knowl-edge that RKO has the singing sta-temator. It is alleged, trice to get rendant, it is alleged, trice to get permission to incorporate those scenes with its issue of 'March of Time' but was refused.

\$100.000 Fire Razes Theatre, Other Buildings St. Louis, Nov. 30

An explosion in a furnace in the rear of the Roxy, Brunswick, Mosouth of St. Louis, last week week destroyed the structure and several adjacent buildings. The total loss has been estimated at \$100.000.

nas been estimated at \$100,000. The blast and blaze started a short while before the evening perfor ance was skedded and prospective customers, in addition to fire fighting apparatus from nearby towns, made a vain attempt to extinguish the flames.

Marshall's 'Girls Town' Hollywood, Nov. 30

George Marshall, Paramount George Marshall, Paramount of rector, draws monther filmusical, 'Girls Town,' as his next chore. Currently Marshall is piloting 'Incendiary Blonde,' based on the life of Texas Guinan, on the same lot.

MORE 'ROADSHOW-TYPE' P

Cheaper Prices No Inducement, Some UPPED PRICES Exhibs Closing Up Their Balconies

indifcement, some independent ex-hibitors are beginning to close up balconies of their theatres, their experience recently being that people do not want to sit upstairs even if the tariff is lower for those scats.

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Also, exhibs point out that where
the balconies are small, it is more
economical to darken them, the small
number of occupants and the small
number of occupants and the small
floors. They will stand on lower
floors instead, waiting for seats, especially after having been willing to
pay for higher admissions, it is
added.

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Moreover, some theatres are doing so well with orchestra admissions alone that they feel, aside from the burden of maintaining baleonies with lighting costs, where, stee, that they are doing well enough as it is. According to see operators, baleonies are now so empty while the downdeart pay to keep the baleonies and operation. Both of the delivery of the property of the p

operation.

Additionally, many of the smaller theatres have 75% or more of their seats on the orchestra floor and, in balconies where children are located, local laws in most cases provide that matrons must be on hand at all times. Trouble with vandals is: an added factor encouraging the closing oblicationies, according to exhibs doing balconies, according to exhibs doing

K-A-O'S 39-WK, NET \$143,000 OVER '42

Although showing an increase of nearly \$1,000,000 profit from opera-tions over the first 39 weeks of 1942, nestly \$4,00,000 print; from opera-tions over the first 39 weeks of 1942, Keith-Albee-Orpheum net profit for the first 39 weeks of 1942, Keith-Albee-Orpheum net profit for the first 39 weeks this year ending Oct. 2 amounted to only approxi-age. Net profit shown in K-A-O re-port this week is \$1,217,541 against 1,074,258 in the initial 39-week period of last year while profit from operations. Before depreciation, for operations, before depreciation, for operations, before depreciation, for var adjustments and Federal taxes totalled \$31,527.28 as compared to \$2,188,472 a year ago. K-A-O set audie \$250,000 for com-training the state of the second of the K-A-O set audie \$250,000 for com-training the second of the second of the K-A-O set audie \$250,000 for com-training the second of the se

Provision for Federal income taxes and excess profit tax rose more than \$\$83,000 to \$1,215,000 in the first 38 weeks this year. Corporation noted that provision for this 'year's taxes exproximate: the consolidated tax return liability on a 22% basis while last year, calculated at 40%, over the aggregate liability on an individual tax return basis.

Flock of Parites West On Film and Stage Deals

Leonard Goldenson, v.p. of Paramount in charge of theatre operations, leaves today (Wednesday) for the Coasi to huddle with studio executives on product, look at new film coming off the assembly line,

Ilm coming off the assembly line,
Going out ahead of him, Sam
Dembow, Jr., v.p. of Par Theatres
Service Corp. and an officer of various Par theatre subsidiaries, left
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Balaban & Katt, Fas a or that territory.

Hitting L. A. when Goldenson is there, Dembow and he will probably stop over at Phoenix, Ariz., where Harry Nace is Pár's partner, and at Chicago on the way back sast.

éast.
Also leaving N. Y. Monday (29)
were Bob Weitman, managing director of the Paramount theatre,
and Harry Levine, head of the Partalent booking department, who will
discuss deals with bands currently
on the Coast for appearances at the
N. Y. Parr, plus possibly some film
stars for personals.

Headline Helpmates

Headline Telepmates

Two pictures nearing completion on separate lots are getting
to make the service of the se

Officers of Operator's Union in Chi Ousted By Walsh: Set Hearing

Walsh, Set Hearing

All officers (Charges) Nov. 30.0tion Picture Operators' Union, local
10, were removed from office last
week by Richard Walsh, IATSE
president, pending a hearing of
by the \$5,000,000 accounting suit fide
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RKO CONTENDS FOR OSCAR WITH 'COMRADE

Hollywood, Nov. 30.

RKO is tossing 'Tender Comrade,'
Ginger Rogers starrer, into the ring
for a fling at the Academy award.
Pleture will be previewed here Dec.
29, in time for an Oscar entry, although it will not be released for the
national trade until some time in
February. Last moment for award national trade inful, some time in February. Last moment for award contenders is 6 p. m., Dec. 31. Picture was produced by David Hempstead. directed by Edward Dmytryk and written by Dalton Trumbo.

Triple Shift for 'Knick' Three shifts of culters and musi-cians are working on 'Knickerbocker Holiday,' PCA production for United Arists: release, which wound up shooting last week. Belting med a New Year's Day opening in New York.

Quillan U's 'Kelly'

Hollywood, Nov. 30.
Universal assigned Eddie Quillan as topper in its musical comedy, 'Anybody Here Seen Kelly?'
Comic recently wound up a featured chore in 'The Impostor' on the same Jot.

BUT NOT 2-A-DAY

eral companies for merchandising larger number of 'roadshow type productions during the coming sea-son at advanced admission scales though not on a two-a-day basis.

Understood that 20th-Fox, among others, is deliberating over four to six of its costlicst negatives as pos-sibly suitable for this category.

sibly suitable for this category. Among those now being considered are 'Song of Bernadette' and 'Wilson.' Others, such as Wendell Will-kle's 'One World,' 'Keys to the Kingdom' and 'Rickenbacker,' representing negative costs of from \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000, may be added later.

in \$3,000,00, may be added later.
Among other mulling 'roadshow' stilling is David O. Setznick, who has reportedly been discussing who have been discussed for completion in January. Several other producers are reported considering similar plans, though not appear to the producers are reported considering similar plans, though not appear to the producers of t

\$1.65.

In most cases, however, company cases are approaching 'roadshow' notes cautiously. Where product is not yet completed, even though far enough along to warrant an estimate, general policy seems to be to wait until the negative is in the can before a final decision is made.

fore a final decision is made.

In any event, it was pointed out by one company topper, plans for this, type of product must be of a tentative nature since final decisions will depend on the product of the product of

The old-style two-a-day roadshow policy remains out of favor with virtually all companies.

Musicals Swarm Over Stages At U

Hollywood, Nov. 38.
Universal grows more musical than at my grows more musical than at my first the second of the Hollywood, Nov. 30.

in work.

Eleven more tuncrs are in preparation, including 'South of Dixic'
'She Shall Haw Music' 'Moon Cut
Las Vegas,' 'See My Lawyer,' 'Carolmie' and 'Lady On a Train,' Carolmerid by five still untitled. In the
Cross Your Pingers.

Cross Your Pingers.

Off the Old Block' and 'Swingtime
for Johnny.'

Col Shorts ½ Finished

EYTHE'S AIR FIC

Hollywood, Nov. 30.
Top male role in 'Wing and a Prayer' at 20th-Pox goes to William Eythe, who recently washed up a look in the same studio's The Event of the old stage combined to the same studio's The Event of the old Bratick takes over the 'Mabel' was the same studio's The Event of the old Bratick takes over the 'Mabel' was the same studio's The Event of the part originally assigned to Miss Henry Hathaway director on 'Wing'. Patrick.

A new 'minimum facilities' paristic, which should prove valuable to the man with money to invest in the field of recreation, from theatres and dancehalls to roller skein; and dancehalls to roller skein; being set up by the Recreation Section of the WPB Office of Civilian Requirements. Purpose of the WPB studen and amusements; mustle for ware boom communities. Information will be used in connection with applications for the construction of new facilities. Despite the section with applications for the construction of the provided of the Crowing About it New way to go Hollywood, Nov. 30. New way to go Hollywood has been discovered by Joaquin Garay, proprietor and star of Garay's Copacabana nitery in San Francisco. He has been signed by Walt Disney as the off-screen voice of a Mexican rooster in the forthfree Caballeros.

Mike Todd's Racetrack Parlance Denial That

WPB Setting Yardstick for Basic

Crowing About It

READE BACK IN N. Y.

FROM MIAMI RECUP

Walter Reade, circuit operator and realty tycoon, after a rest of nearly two months at Miami, returned to N. Y. last week to direct his interests until after the holidays. He plans returning to Miami after New Year's for the balance of the winter.

plans returning to Miam after New Years for the balance of the wintHaving entertained no deals for the sale of his circuit and really properties since the Department of the properties since the Department of the Properties with the properties with the properties of the provisions of any new decree likely to have an important bearing the provisions of any new decree likely to have an important bearing the provisions of the matter. Understood the D. of J. decree negotiations before presenting its case anew.

McAlpin's Still Wins

Now You're 'Mabel'

Hollywood, Nov. 30

Community Entertainment Needs:

Prevent Migration of War Workers

Parlance Denial That He's 'Captive Producer'

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With his brothers operating one of the largest independent circuits in mess are well as civic figure in the southwest. Rupert E. Griffith, of the fourthwest. Rupert E. Griffith, who with his had been recuperating. For two months. Mr. Griffith, who with his brothers. L. C. and H. J. built up a circuit that extended through the states of Oktavarda, was president of two arms of this large chain—R. E. Griffith Theatres. Inc. and Westex Theories and this large chain—R. E. Griffith Theatres. Inc. and Westex Theatres states are considered to the Griffith Amasement Ca. Leaded by L. C. Griffith as prez. Decessed to Griffith Grif

Hal McAlpin won first prize in the third annual Hollywood Studios' Still Photography Show under the auspices of Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. Believed Coe Will Be Arts and Sciences. Exhibit consisted of 300 of the best still shots made by the film industry's top photographers in the course of a year. McAlpin was awarded the Academy gold plaque for a shot of Walter Buston, Walter Brennan and Esther Dale in the Goldwyn picture, 'North Star.' Less Active Henceforth

Less Active Hencelorth White not resigning as v-p, and general coursel for the Motion Picture Producer's Delirable and State Producer's Delirable and State Producer's Delirable Practice of America, it is understood Charles Prancis Coe will be less active in affairs of the MPPDA. Because of the MPPDA is considered to the state of the MPPDA in the MPPDA in

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Jules White and Hugh McCollum
wound up the first half of Columbia's shorts production schedule for
1943-44 and will start turning out the
On the list are four Stonge comedies, two Billy Gilberts, two Hugh
Herberts, Una Merkel-Harry Langdon
co-starrer, Harry Langdon-El Brendel co-starrer and four shorts still to
be assigned.

The Story, of a Masterpiece

Early in 1943, Norman Rockwell completed his famous series of paintings "The Four Freedoms." He had already achieved celebrity as an interpreter of America's folkways. Now his stature became international and he was the recipient of a global wave of acclaim. It was at this time that the artist conceived of a subject comparable in emotional appeal and perhaps even more challenging to his mature craftsmanship. He saw in Jennifer Jones as the simple girl of Lourdes in Franz Werfel's "The Song of Berna-lette" the inspiration for one of his finest canvases. Here, through the medium of a lone girl, glorious and exalted, could be created a painting to inspire people in all walks of life. Many were the sketches prepared. Constantly, the artist deliberated over details of composition and color. With expert draughtsmanship he sought to capture what Franz Werfel had expressed in words. How well he succeeded is implicit in the reproduction of the finished work. This portrait of Bernadette will reach the hearts of all who see it—for in its subtle expressiveness, in every stroke of the brush—it conveys the essence of everything that was so movingly written into "The Song of Bernadette."—PEYTON BOSWELL, Jt., Author of Modern American Painting, Editor of The Art Digest.'



with JENNIFER JONES - WILLIAM FYTHE - CHARLES BICKFORD - VINCENT PRICE - LEF J. COBB - GLADYS COOPER - Anne Revere - Roman Bohnen - Mary Sudicision - Patricia Morroon - Aubrey Mather - Charles Dingle - Edith Barrett - Sig Ruman - Blanche Yurka - Ermadean Wafters - Marcel Dalio - Pedro de Cordoba Intented Cowan - Directed by HENRY KING - Produced by WILLIAM PERLBERG - Noteen Play by GLORGE SEATON - William Gotz in Charge of Production



The Gang's All Here

MUSICAL COLOR)

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Where Are Your Children? (SONGS)

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freshine, gives a fine performance. She's under long-term contract to Mono. Cooper does satisfactorily. Mono. Cooper does satisfactorily. The second of the second contract of the seco

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"O. My Clementine: should make of more in districts where the Orand Orange in the Common of the Comm

Killion as the love interest opposite Minis Pays is generally inflicted and the many of th

songs, which romantic and comic. Film could have been tighter and better paced. Photography above-givering for low-budget actioners.

Tiger Fanage

The Production of the Control of the

(Argentine-Made) (WITH SONGS)

(WITH SONGS)

Buenos Aires, Nov. 20,
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'Acquaintance' Great \$45,000. Ace New Chi Pix; 'Dracula'-'Ghoul' Sturdy 18G

Most films in Loop are holdovers and new entrys are all drawing fine bir. Old Acqualitance: a the State Loop are to the State Loop at State State Loop at Took and the State Look State is headed for a trong \$36,000 at Roosevelt. Son of a trong \$36,000 at Roosevelt. Son of the State Control of the State Control of the State Look S

centra, as stated for great \$45,000 at Chicago.

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och on stage (2d wk) (Great \$45.Clundaleania Dury' (20th) and
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(6,000. Grand (RKO) (1,150; 40-85)— allen Sparrow (RKO) and Gilder-lever on Broadway (RKO) (third ceek in Loopt Snug \$8,500. Last ceek, fine \$9,000.

week in Loopt Surg \$8,500. Last week, jin \$3,000. ug \$8,500. Last week, jin \$3,000. ug \$1.69)—To-instal Hootune (2.00 a displace) and the highest hold on stage. Blockstone Magie show on stage. Brubust \$27,000. Last week. Footlight of the highest highest had Carl haveza Falues (RICO) (3.500, 46.59)—Iron Monort U.U week, strong \$25,000. Last week. Sainte Brubant Surg. USB (1.00 and Never Dull Monort U.U week, strong \$25,000. Last week. Sainte Brubant Lucky Sturg 'USB, Robust 20,000. Last week. Sainte Brubant Lucky Sturg 'USB, Robust 20,000. Last week. Sainte Brubant Lucky Starg 'USB, Robust 20,000. Last week. Sainte Brubant Lucky Starg 'USB, Robust 20,000. Last week. Sainte Brubant 20,000. Last week. Sainte Bruba

\$20,000. State-Lake (2.700; 50-85) Old Acquaintance (WB). Superb \$45,000. Last week (Rosie O'Grady. (20th) (6 days: 4th wk) and Old Acquaintance (WB) 1 day, corking \$26,000.

Acquantiance (1988): 1- day, control and a 25.00.002 Archives (1984): (1,700, 50-52.000); (1,700, 50-52.00

'Acquaintance'-Vaude Fast \$27.500 in Wash.; 'Sparrow' Ditto \$25,000

usiness snapped back to normal with the Thanksgiving holiday, all houses sharing in prosperity. Old Acquaminance, slugged by critics, is way above par. Girl Crazy also is a front-rumer, with North Star. above par. "Girl Crazy's ont-runner, with 'North' in its second week. Estimates for This Week

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'Diary' Torrid \$16,500 In Seattle: 'Corvette' Big 15G, 'Crazy' 12G

Scottle, Nov. 30.
Guadalennul Diary, at Fifth Ave.
José boxoffice winner his week
with smash total. Corvette is not
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Music Hall .H-E) 12,200; 40-75)—
'Lady Takes Chance! (RKO) (2d-vk).
Strong \$8,500. Last week, \$8,000 in six days.

six days.

Orpheum (H-E) (2,600; 40-75)—
Corvette K-225; (U). Smash \$15,000.
Last week, Princess ORBourke
(WB) (2d wk), territ \$13,000.
Palomar (Sterring) 41,350; 30-75)—
Find Blackmailer (WB) and Never
Dull Moment. (U) plus vaude. Solid
\$10,000. Last week, Music Bountain
(Rep) plus vaude, about 2-amer.

(Rep) plus vaude, about same.

Paramount (H-E) (3,039; 40-75)
Girl Crazy; (M-C) (2d, wk). Socks
12,000. Last week, huge \$18,000.

Roosevelt (S(crling) (850; 40-75)
In Old Oklahoma (Rep) (4th wk).

Trim \$5,000. Last week, oke \$5,500 Winter Garden (Sterling) (800; 15-30 — Dixie' (Pay' and Someone Re-member' (Rep) (3d run), Fair \$4,000. Last week, 3d run of Heaven Can Wait' (20th) and Bomber's Moon' (20th), (3d run), dandy \$4,700.

'Girl Crazy' Tops Prov. With Sockeroo \$23,000

THE JUNET 180 AC-JUNE
Musicals hold the edge this week
with bit forte. Loew's State's Girl
Crasy: leads the list. RKO Albee's
Lady Takes A Chance', second,
followed closely by Majestics' Swetz
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Had Women At Work (PRC) (2d run), good \$3,000.

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Last week. Harvest Melody (PRC) plus vaude, \$5,500.

Majestic (Fay 1, 2,200. 30,50).

First Runs on Broadway

(Subject to Change) Week of Dec. 2 Astor- Cry Havoc M.G : 12d

Asion—Cry Havor '14-G '12d
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Capitol—Gril Crissy' '14-G '1
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Globe—In 'Old Oklahoma'
(Rep.) -41.

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(Col).

Palace — The
(RKO) (5th week).
(Reciered in Yarley).

Paramount — Love' (Par.) (1).

Transmedial Comments of the Co

'CRAZY' TALL 21G. CLEVE.

Thanksgiving hiz is reflected at the boxoffice currently, but majority of downtown stands have nothing to

shout about Exception is Cirl Crazy, pulling the State out of a three-week slump, 'Iron Major' is no great shakes at Hipp.

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Estimater for Tills Week
Allen (RKO) (300), 35.50. Tools

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Tools (O'rady' (2011), mighty

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Lake (Warners' (200)

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Eate (Warners) (800; 35.55)—
Thank Lucky Slars (WB): (3d wk).
Worthwhile \$5,200 Lask week Lady
Chance (RKO) (3d, wk), \$3,300.

Ohio (Loews) 11,200; 40,660—Victory Through Air Power (IAA).
Thir \$5,500 Last week, Bell Tolis
(Pan) (9th wk), slipped to okay
\$7,000.

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Palace (REO) (3.700. 35-85).
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\$9,000.

Stillman (Loew's) (2,700; 35-55)—

'Hi Diddle' (UA). Breaking up house moveover policy, lirst-runner is okay \$6,500. Last week, 'Lussie Come Home' (M-G) (3d wk), lively.

B'way Keens Steady: 'Pursuit' Plus Gray Band-Willie Howard \$60,000, 'Heat's On'-Vaude 40G, 'Havoc' 23G

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band and Method Parrish on the State of it, while Woody Herman band and Marion Hutton tendin over.

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'Crazy' Rousing \$13,000, 'Rosie' Smash 14G, Top Pix in Bullish L'ville

TIX IN DUBIES L VILLE

Louisville, Nov. 20.

New entries anaeced through, for territe bix this season aided by Thanksgiving Day opening, and far anced. of last words. Affish, stanza, anced. of last words. Affish, stanza, anced. of last words. Affish, stanza, to consider the season of last words. Thanksgiving, the last words are louisvilled to the season of last words. Thanksgiving, and the Strand. is dring robust bix, Johnny Longs or relexity and visual are boosting. Thanksgiving or his words are wording thanksgiving the season of last words. stout session at the National.

Retimates for This Week.

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(14th): 30-30 -- Candideanal, Diary
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Land week, Horn Major (*HKO) and
(*Paleon Cu-Ett): (HKO), sturdy \$3-50.

Avenue (*Paleon Cu-Ett): (HKO), sturdy \$3-50.

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In Hold (U.), alright \$1,700.
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Ahny: 41A.) Mickey Ronney-Judy
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runsing, \$13,000. Thankerskiving Day
biz lopped anything ever done at this
house. Last week. Young felow (14C)) and 'Kansan' (UA), Jairish \$11000.

Pitt. Still Mildish But 'Girl Crazy' Potent \$20,000, 'Top Man' Snappy 9G

Thankigiving Week proved only big disappointment at less than \$12-15 fair this year, being not nearly 2000, though eris went overgood 10 fair this year, being not nearly 2000, though eris went overgood 10 fair this year, being the field at the Fenn. Cray being the field at the Fenn. Cray last control of the field at the Fenn. Cray at the field at the Fenn. Cray the field of the field of the field at the Fenn. Cray the field of the Sky Limit' Tall \$10,000, Mont'!; 'Army' 11G, 2d Mont'!, 'Army' 11G,

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AND A BOX-OFFICE SWEETHEART IN EVERY ONE!

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5TH WEEK OF EXTENDED RUN AT N. Y. HOLLYWOOD NATIONWIDE RELEASE NOW

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'Rosie' Smash \$51,000 in Forte Det., 'Foot' Choice 28G. 'Children' Big 19G

Detroit, Nov. 30.

Although Thanksgiving usually marks the turn to Christmas shopin, there is no sign of my. shum here this season. Off to a great start with a Thanksgiving Day opening. Toose O'Grady' and 'Chauce.

"will hat a smash turla was the few. There's it also the start the Few. There's it also the start the season to make the start to the start the start thanks."

plenty of strength spread through is plenty of strength spread through the first-runs, Michigan being solid with Best Pool Forward and Dr. Gillespie's Criminal Case, and the Palms-State souring to sock lib, with Johnny Came Lately's and Wictory Through Air Power. Broadway-Cap-ttol also doing fine by using juve delinquency tact with Where Are Your Children?' coupled with To-

Estimates for This Week

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Lucky Zellow, Mr. Smith' U.J. FurLucky Zellow, Mr. Smith' U.J. FurSayson, Last week, Return, of Vampre' (Col) and Tills Guest' Alono,
helped by holiday, strong \$15000.
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Menon and "Glorado" (Par.), Forton Hore with John C. Harden, Mr. SonCollege of the College of the College
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'3d' wk) rich \$15,000 on meceorer from Michigan's 6,000 - 55-75.
Fox Pox-Michigan's 6,000 - 55-75.
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Minis with \$34,000. Addison (United Detroit) (1.800) 55-75)—Gof Me Covered (IRKO) and Scrue (UA). Repeating for fine 55,000. Last week. Proudly Hall (Par) and 'Holy Matrimony' (20th), about same.

about same.

Michigan United Detroit (4,000;
55-75)—Best Foot Forward (M-G)
and Dr. Gillespie's Criminal Case'
(M-G). Choice \$28,000. Last. week.
Hi. Diddle' (UA) plus Russ Morgan
orch and Rubinoff on stage, sock
\$42,000.

100.

11ms-State (United Detroit) 13.

55-15)—Johnny Come Lately

1) and 'Victory Through Air

er' 1UA) Bangup \$20,000. Last

k 'Canteen' 1UA) 4th wk), fine

week. Canteen 'UA) 4th wk), fine 11,000. 411,000

'LIFE' LIVELY \$13,000 LEADS MILDISH MPLS

There's nothing startling among the new films, and the usual pre-Christmas shrinkage already has set in. True to Life looks nice at the Store, the true has been supported by the set of the startling of the startline of the startling of the startling of the startling of the sta

Estimates for This Week.
Aster (Par-Singer) (900; 20-30)—
"Seventh Victim' (RKO) and Larcony With Music' (U), Good \$2-400
in five days. Tiger Tanks' (PRC)
and 'Nazty Nuisance' (UA) open today 130). Last week. This Is Washington' (RKO) and 'Find Blackmailer' (WB), okay \$2,100 in five
days:

mailer' (WB), ORB) 26-150-days: ur. (PS) (130: 40-15)-Tonio O'Grady' (200.), 360-ved here Tram State. May reach fine 48,000 on nox-over. Last week, Fallen Spar-row' (RKO). Also moveover. Nice 80: 100: 100: 351-Fired Wife' (U). Good \$4,500: tong for this house. Last week, frag' (WB).

Century (P.S) (1,800: 46-55)—
Rosic OG Grady (2001). Moved here from State. May reselve fine 84,900 on most form of 1,800. May reselve fine 84,900 on most form of 1,800. May reselve fine 84,900 on most form of 1,800. Also mercons. John of 1,800 on most form of 1,800. May reselve fine 84,900 on most form of 1,800. May reselve fine 1,800 on most form of 1,800. May reselve fine 1,800. May r

Osborne Ups 'Bridesmaid' To Tall \$15.000. Indols.

Italiangolis, Nov. 30.

Biz shows a sybetantial jekup at the deluxer's after the recent slump, with three eurrent pictures shooting for the \$14.5 mark. 'Sweet Roste-O'Grady'. the Indi Girl Crazy'. at uge's and. Bridernajd, his Will Osborne; and

Bridesmoid: plus Will Osborne and at the Cirick, are running neck and neck for top money, with Osborne likely boosling-Bridesmoid to sa. ong \$15,000 to tub city. Results are speciacular considering terrific draw of Sonja Henic's 1944 Hollywood fee. Revue 10 days at Collesum. Estimates, for This Week.

extimates for This Week Circle (Katz-Dolle) (2,800; 30-55) —Always cidesmaid (UJ plus-Will Osborne orch. Film given some credit for stont \$15,000 band being real magnet. Lar! week, 'Daneing Masters' (20th)' and Johnny Long orch. \$14,000; '

orch. \$14,000;

Indiana (Katz-Dolle) (3,300; 30-50)

Rosie rady (20th). Sweet

\$14,500, best in weeks, playing single,
Last week, Northern Pursuit (WB)
and Hi Sailor. (U), okny \$12,500.

Land the Salone (U), clay \$15,500, 20-53).

Rethy, India (1200, 30-55).

Palooka (PRC) and National Barn (1200, 30-55).

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'O'Rourke,' 'Rosie' Each Terrif \$31,000, B'klyn

Brooklyn, Nov. 30. Standouts in downtown sector are Fabian Paramount with 'Princess O'Rourke' and 'Houry Aldrich Haunts House' and RKO Albee with Sweet Rosie O'Grady' and Falcon and Co-Eds.'

and Co-Eds."
Estimates for This Week
Albee (RKO) (3.274; 25-75)—Rosie
O'Grady' (20th) and "Falcon and Co-leds" (RKO) (g \$\$1,000. Last week. Wintertime (20th) and Paris After Dark (20th). Splendid \$23,000. Fox (Fabian) (4023; 35-75)—
'Heat's On' (Col) and Find Black-mailer (WB). Sturdy \$21,000. Last week, 'Everybody Happy' (Col) and Tornado': (Par). Fair \$15,000. Tornado: 'Par'), Fair \$15,000.
Metropolitan (Loew's) (3,818; 35-75)—Phantom of Opera (II) and Death of Hiler' (U). Nice \$24,000.
Linst week, Lassie Come Home' (M-G) and Dr. illespie's Criminal Case' (M-G) 22d wk.) Good \$16,000.

Case (M-G) 12d wk.) Good \$16,000. Paramount (Fabian) (4,020; 35-75)—Trincess O'Roinrke' (WB) and Aldrich Haunts House' (Par). Nifty \$31,000. Last week, Froudly Hall' (Par) and 'Sleepy Lagoon' (Rep) (4th wk.). Sirong \$18,000. Strand WB) (2,952); 35-75)—Aldring (WB) (3,952); 35-75)—Aldring (WB) (4,000).

'Girl Crazy,' Wow \$44,500 (2 Spots),

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Pride's Job, Abeles' Aide

Frederick W. R. Pride; one of the principal attorneys for 20th Fox, has been appointed general counsel of the Price Adjustment Board of the U. S. Navy. Board is now in charge of rengoliation of war contracts.

Tops Hub; 'Rosie O'Grady' Sweet 30G

Metropolitan (M.P.) (4,367; 35-65)
-Rosie O'Grady' (20th) and Sub-parine Alert' (Par). Robust \$30,000 nd holds. Last week, Thank Lucky tars' (WB) and Murder Water-- Retrieve Committee Commi

'Sahara' Torrid \$34,000, Top Entry In Philly; 'Pursuit' Fancy \$25,500

Dood It'-'Ideas' Aces In Denver, High \$16.500

Denver, Nov. 30.

T Dood It' paired, with 'Young Ideas' is nut in the lead with a strong total at the Orpheum. Spitther and Never, ull Moment' at the Paramount and Crozx House with Paris the street, are nox best. True to Life' is okuy at the Denham, and holds.

iolds.
Estimates for This Week
Aladdin (Fox) 1(400: 30-65)
Guadaleanal Diary (20th) at Aladdin (Fox) 11,400; 30-65)— 'Guadaleanal' Diary' (2011) and 'Dancing Musters' (2014), after week at each Denver, Esquire. Nice \$6,500. Last week, 'Princess O'Rounke' (WB) and 'Find Blackmailer' (WB), big

Denver (Fox) (12.52) 3.0-65)—
Denver (Fox) (12.52) 3.0-65)—
Crap House (U) and Paris After
Dark (20th), day-date with Esquire.
Fair \$8,000. Last week: 'Gundalchan's
Dary'. (20th) and 'Dancing Masters'.
(20th), also at Esquire (big \$15,000.
Esquire (Fox) (142, 30-65)—Crary
Esquire (Fox) (142, 30-65)—Crary
(20th), also at Denver. Mild \$2,000.
Last week, 'Diary' (20th) and 'Masters' (20th), also at Denver, big \$4,
500.

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House Ways and Means Committee

who commented:

'The gentleman is a man of great discernment. That is exactly what I told the committee, but not enough of them agreed with me.'

Rep. Bertrand W. Gearhard, Cali-Means, expressed his dissatisfaction by seeking to have the entire bill sent back to the committee.

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Shelvey said yesterday (30) that adoption of the tax would drive 70% of the niteries out of business, be-

Fancy \$25,500

Momentum Philadelphia, Mov.

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J. Dorsey Tilts 'Maisie' To Sock \$20,000, Omaha

Omala, Noc. 36.

With Thanksgiving plus vacations over the weekend and ideal weather, biz took a terrific jump this week. A complexity of the week and the sum of the

Dorzey's band on stage plus Swing south of the Swing S

Battle Russis' (20th), morcover, neat \$3.500. Goldberr, (1400.11.30)—Wild Horse Rustlers' (1400.11.30)—Wild Horse Rustlers' (1701.) Canbing, the stoyer (Col.) Ganbing, Letter (WB), State (1701.) Ganbing, Letter (WB), Sand (Kennel Murder Care (WB), Sand (Kennel Murder), "Thomprow & Live (Kennel Murder Care (WB), Sand (Kennel Murder), "Thomprow & Live (Kennel Murder)

cause patrons cannot stand such a stiff wallow on their amusements. He declared that nitery customers would turn to dancehalls, jukeboxes and 10-cent beer justead.

um to dancehalls, luteboxes and ilocent beer instead.

We have helped to legitimative the nitery industry. Shelvey said: If the legitimate operators are driven out of business, the field will be invaded by racketeers. We now have 1,180° basic agreements with legitimate night club awners II they close their doors we will have to start organizing all over again lafer, the ways.

'Jack London' Solid \$16,000. Frisco: 'Diary' Smash 30G, 'Crazy' Big 30G

Holiday San Francisco, Nov. 30
Holiday Prosses that year control all grosses that year. Girl Crasy, at the Fox, tools strong \$30,-000 but Guadaleanat Diary, at smaller Paramount, its standout at the same figure. Jack London Hooks great on the same figure. Jack London Hooks great was the same figure. Jack London Hooks great was the same figure. As the same figure and the same figure.

United Artists.

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Bonoon Lata week, terrine \$12.000.
Fax (F-WC) (5.000; 55-75)—Girl
Crazy', (M-C) and Fine Blackmailer'
Tail's Face It (Par) and Battle of
Hussia (2014) (3d wk), good \$18,500.
Paramount (F-WC) (2,470; 55-75)
25,00006 Latable week. Princess \$30,000. Last week, 'Princess O'Rourke' (WB) (2d wk), excellent

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age show Bonnbiells of Fun.

2. Bodden Tate (RKO) - (2.8a); 55-15

—Falcon and Co-eds' (RKO) pilus

Hollywood Cover Girls' unit on

sage, Torid \$35.000. Last week,

Louis Prima orch. others; 348ge

dawk: Excellent \$31.000

Ornheum (Blumenfeld) (1.400; 60.

- Top Man' (U). Bull \$10.000. Last

week, Sahara' (Col) (4th wk) and

Footlight: Clamour' (Col), robust
\$13.500; 64-rists (Blumenfeld) (1.400; 60.

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\$13.500; 64-

United Artists (Blumenfeld) (1.100: 80-75)—Jack London' (UA) and "Doughboys in Ireland" (Col): Groat 16,000. Last week Johnny Come Lately' (UA) (6th wk), strong \$8,000.

'Girl Crazy' Paces Hot K.C. With Wham 23G: 'Guadalcanal' Huge 16G

New product all, around, lown this week, and grosses are way up above recent dult sessions. 'Girl Crazy' at the Midland is easily the leader with snash total. 'Guadaleanal Diary' is also sock at the Esquire, Uptown and Fairway,' day-and-date. 'Nonteen Pursuit' opened up big at the New, and the Nonteen Pursuit' opened up big at the New, and the New the Common Commo

Estimates for This Week

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(Fox-Midwest) (820, 20.43 and 700)
(9-60)—Gundaleanal Diary; (20th).
Great \$16.000, best here in weeks.
Last week: 'In Old Oklahoma' (Repl.)
strong \$12.000.
Midland (Loew's) (3.500; 35-50)—
Girl (Command)

strong \$12,000.

Midland (Loew's) (3,500: 35-50)—

'Girl Crazy' (M-G), and 'Dr. Gillespie's Criminal Case (M-G). Soci \$23,000. Last week, 'First Comes Courage' (Col), and 'Kingdom for Cook' (Col), thin \$10,000, below ex-

man (Paramount) (1,900: 40 Northern Pursuit (WB) Sewiman Chramount) (1,900; 40: 80) — 'Northern Pursuit: (WB). Healthy \$14,000. Last week, 'Let's Face It' (Par.) 3d wk), 6wq, \$8,000. Orpheum (RKO) (1,600; 40-60)— 'Iron Major' (RKO) and 'Falcon Co-Edd' (RKO). Lively \$11,500. Lasti-week, Watch Rhine' (WB). 2d. alsti-factors (10,000), but off from expecta-tions.

Broadway Grosses

Estimated Total Gross
This Week \$646,000
(Based on 14 theatres)
Total Gross Same Week
Last Year \$461,000
(Based on 13 theatres)

Buff. on Beam Again; 'Crazy' Wow \$24,000, 'Face It' Brisk 22G

Tunalo, Nov. 30, all around, but strong product is the real first aid this week after the dull session last week. 'Girl Crazy looks tops with terrific \$24,000 af the Lakest Special all-night shows at Buffalo and Lakes also helped.

n my Anec (2011) (7c-)ssues), 3off 1.000. (1.681) (3.000. 3.685)— 1.000. (1.681) (3.000. 3.685)— 1.000. (1.691) (3.000. 1.000

'O'Rourke' Fast \$26,000. 'O'Grady' Hot 27G, N'w'k

Newark: Nov. Sparked by Thursday's potent h Sparkee by Thursday's potent holi-day bit. Instrum are maintaining a great piece currently. Seek of present Gome Home's and Sweet Rosie O'Crady,' at the Biraction's Side and Beautiful Companies of the Companies of the Adams; getting its roat leverage withers and Ma Hailet's band. A Katimates for This Week. A Companies of the Companies of the South of the Companies of the Companies of the South State of the Companies of the Companies of the South State of the Companies of the Companies of the South State of the Companies of the

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\$19,000.

State (Loew's) (2,600: 30-85)—
Lassie Coinc Home (M-G) aix
Passiport Sucz (Col. Torrid \$21,000
Holds over: Last week, 'Hi Diddle
(UA) and titler's Madman (M-G)
dull \$14,000.

'Crazy' Giant 22G. Balto

Given a builtart with strong Thanksgiving, opening, most local theattes are aiming at top-flight lighters. Bobbust action is seen for 'Old August 1999, and the street are aiming at top-flight lighters. Bobbust action is seen for 'Old August 1999, and the street action of 'Old August 1999, and the street action of the stree

Stanley (WB) (3.20; 26-60)—Old (RKO) (2.04 run), as days, sadAcquainlance (WB), Drawing bull18 \$21,000. The same of the sa

Davis-Hopkins Head Okay L. A. With Loud \$68,000. 3 Spots: 'Girl Crazy' Fat 66G in 4, 'Ghoul'-'Dracula' 10G

Key City Grosses

Estimated Total Gross III.200
This Week III.200
Based on 24 cities, 189 their tress chiefly area runs; utcinding No. 10. Gross Same Week Last Xear S2.340,500
Egsed on 26 cities, 176 theatrest

'Happy'-'Vanities' Tall \$25,000, Cincy; 'Crazy 19G, 'Old Okla.' 91G. Big Cincinnati, Nov.

Cineinali, Nov.
Hefty returns: three firstruss, solid bit at the combo stand and strong, holdwayers are giving. Cincy one of the first three combo stand and combo stand and combo stand and combo stand and combo stand three combo

Oklahoma, are also above par.

Estimates for This Week
Albee (RKO) (3.300, 44.85)—Js
Everybody Happy? (Col) plus 'Earl'
Carroll's Vanutics' unit on stage.
Swell \$23.000, largely via stage layout Last week, 'Young Idea' !M-Ciplus 'Richard Himber orth. Eitel
Waters' others' on stage.

right
\$23.500. (RKO) !2.000, 33.65.

S23.500.
Capitol (RKO) (2.000: 35-65)—
North Star (RKO) (2d wk). Spar-kling \$0.000 after lofty \$12,000 in

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Rosie O'Grady: (2011) annu moni-line sesh. Lyrle (RKO) (1,400: 35-65)—in Old Oklahoma 'Rep.). Wham 89,500, theatres- best mark in many months. Will hold. Last week, Iron Major (RKO) (2d run), six days, sad

were come within a title motivated of Lady Takes Changes is solid \$32,500 in 10 tourth session at Fantases. All in fourth session at Fantases. All in fourth session at Fantases. All in the s

Young Ideas (M-G.) snappy, 8, aug.
Chinese Grauman-WG (1,2034; 4590)—'Girl Crazy' (M-G); and 'Unknown Guest' (Mone). Great \$17,500.
Last week, 'Lassic Come Home' (MG) and 'Young Ideas' (M-G); strong
\$14,000.

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Downtown (WB) (1.800).
Old Acquaintance (WB). Socko
\$26.500. Last: week. Princess,
O'Rourke' (WB) (4th. wk). dandy
\$12.700.

Expelian (F-WC) (1.535; 43-90)— Crazy House (U) (2d wkr. and Lucky Fellow, Mr., Smith (U). Thin 33.200 in four days. Last week, with Strange Death (iter (U), fair 53-400.

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Los Angeles (D'town-WC) (2.200; 45.90)—Crazy House (U) (2.4 wk) and Lucky Fellow Smith (U). Mid \$5,000 in four days. Last week, with Death Hitler (U), fair \$12.000.

Legan Hitter (U.) fair, \$12,000.
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Paramount (F&M) (2.389, 45. 1-12. Life (Par) and Submarine Alert (Par) '12d wki., Nice \$18.090 in nine days. First week, sound \$23.000.

Paramount Hollywood (F&AI) (). 451: 45-90)—True Tafe' (Par.) wk): Mild \$12,000 in nine days, stanzo, merry \$13,500.

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NATIONAL BOXOFFICE SURVEY

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Eve night, Dec. 31.

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MICKEY ROONEY · JUDY GARLAND in "GIRL CRAZY" with Gil Stratton · Robert E:Strickland • "Rags" Ragland • June Allyson • Nancy Walker • Guy Kibbee • TOMMY DORSEY and his Orchestra · Screen Play by Fred F. Finklehoffe Based Upon Musical Play "Girl Crazy" by Guy Bolton and Jack McGowan • Music by George Gershwin • Lyrics by Ira Gershwin Directed by NORMAN TAUROG . Produced by ARTHUR FREED . An M.G.M Picture.

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It's going like C-R-A-Z-Y! Off to a runaway start! Seattle, the first date, broke all records for 12 years! And now boxoffices everywhere are going c-r-a-z-y over "Girl Crazy". Yippee Mickey! Whoopee Judy! Advertised in national magazines! Advertised on the air waves!

'Ice Follies of '44' Open at M.S.G., N.Y.; Riot of Color, Sock Specialty Acts

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Baltimore, Nov. 27.
Coleman Clark & Allan Thomas
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Boys (4); Six Debutones, Jerry
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The Iron Major (RKO).

This is a rather fullsome layout nicely paced and well proportioned for variety and entertainment. Jerry Mann, ties matters (organization of the proportion of the proportion

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ianapolis, Nov. 27. Will Osborne orch, with Mary Ann, Jim Hardy, Lee Pines; Sibyl Bowan, Dick Buckley; 'Alwoys a Bridesmaid' (U).

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Strand, N. Y.

Giru Gray Orch ieith Eugénie Buird ahd Tommy Morgan; Willie Houard, Al Relly, Berry Bros. 12), Pald Remos (3); Northern Parsait; refrienced in Variety. Oct. 20, '43.

Gayety, Montreal

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Earle, Wash.

Washington, Nov. 26.

Murie Nash, Gaudsmith Bros.
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Marie Maho, nanking her dirst
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nice sogramo voice and plenty of
good looks. Her selections include
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Keith's, Indpls.

National Barn Dance, with Pansy Montana, Hayloft: Dro. Smile-a-whife Gang, Barn Dance; Bond, Bobby Dale, Parker Bros.; Gessner's War Dogs, Bob Ballentine; 'Palooka' (PRC).

The WLS National Barn Dance provides the nucleus of a click bill on Keith's stage this week. Supported by a couple of first-rate vaude acis, the rustic entertainers send both the dial twisters and regular customers home satisfied.

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Boston, Nov. 25.
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Albee, Cincy

Cincinnati, Nov. 27.

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This edition of Carroll's 'Vanilies' is a pleasing wartime dish for presentation houses and earlies and the presentation houses and earlies and earliest and eight, and earliest and eight earliest ea

WALTER WANGER'S **PRODUCTION** "GUNG HO!" TO BE RELEASED DEC. 31st IS THE FIRST MOTION PICTURE TO DRAMATIZE THE HEROISM OF THE MARINE RAIDERS ON MAKIN ISLAND!



Avres Heads Combined N.Y.-N.E. WB Sales: Theatre-Exchange Briefies

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RETTE

the late Jacob Evans, Memphis real estate man. It also itonses a gents' haberdashery and small walkup holel.

Mison. Neho is now a flight officer with the Fourin Ferrying Command here, said he bought spot as, an investment. Thought here, however, that he might be looking for expansion of his movie interests in operation as well, and would consider taking over when Lightman lease expires.

arson Tops D. C. Variety
Washington, Nov. 30.
Variety Chib's annual election by
Tent No. 11 resulted in a tie vote
for place on the board of governors.
Zone manager John J. Payetle of
Warner Bros. retired to let Wade
Pearson serve.

Zone manager and A. "Derived and the Pearson serve."

There was considerable election.

(Tues.) was devoted to analysis of sales policies on seven UA pictures soon to be released. Pictures now in roduction were also discussed, Leserman told disdrict managers that with seven films completed and awaiting release dates. UA had reached a new high in production, An additional five pictures are in

An additional five pictures are in various stages of production.

Canadian Meel

Three-day sales meeting of United Artists branch managers in Canada is stated to open tomorrow (Thurz.) at the Windsor hotel, Montreal.

Leserman, Learna, Sr., Lazaria, Leserman, Learna, Caranta, Gr., Lazaria, Gr., Lazaria, Gr., Lazaria, Chandian division manager, leave, W. Y. for Montreal today (1946.1).

Among Canadian branch managers, schedulett of attend sessions are J.

scheduled to attend sessions are J. H. Reid, Calgary: Charles S. Chaplin, Montreal: George Heiber, S. John: A. J. Jeffery, Toronto; Harry Woolfe, Vancouver; Douglas V. Boses, Winnison oolfe, Vancous sen, Winnipeg.

Bill Danziger's New Spot

Bill Danziger, veteran in advertising and publicity in the film business, yesterday (Tuesday) joined the Institute of Public Relations, which represents many large industries and insurance companies. He will turn out campaigns for the institute, fur-

out campaigns for the manual, au-nish ideas, etc.
Recently for a short space of time with 20th-Fox, Davziger formerly was for nine years with Metro and 10 years with Paramount in ad-vertising-promotional capacities.

Joel Swensen at WB

Warner Bros. has created the post special research for the homeof special research for the home-office publicity department, with Joel Swensen, formerly with the Head of the second of the second of the head of the second of the second of the Head of the second of the second of the Some years ago Swensen was for-eign editor of Fox-Movietone News, Some years ago Swensen was for-eign editor of Fox-Movietone News, He also was head of the ad epart-time was a minute of the second of the ad-publicity department.

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PHIL LAUFER JOINS UA

Pfill Laure, in charge of publicity, and advertising for the Rivoli, N. Y., for the past year, has resigned that post to Join United Aribits In the handling of publicity and contacting of the daily papers.

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BLAUFOX'S NEW BERTH

BLAUFOX: NEW BERTH
Jay David Blaufox, formerly in
charge of ad publicity for the Fox,
Brooklyn, and the Stanley, Jersey
City, appointed director of publicity
and advertising for the Carter hotel
chain, with headquarters in N. Y.
Chain has hotels in N. Y., Boston,
New Haven and Newark.

Jury Sees Shakedown Checks

ranging from \$37,000, \$32,000, \$18,000 and downwards he knew the transmissed of the state of the and Warde Pearson.

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Carl Leverman, United Artists gencard stelle manager, held meeting official of Les Angeles IATSE Local
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reasons for a strike being advanced by the national president: "It's our contention," Murray told the court, 'that Schenck and those other distributors, knew rowne couldn't call a strike and have it ef-fective all over the country, and we feel that point should be made plain to the jury.

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Saturation Booking Plan for Happy Land

Tom Connors, v.p. in charge of worldwide distribution for 20th-Fox, is employing saturation orldwide distribution for 20th-Fox, incompleting saturation booking bethods in connection with the reem of 'Happy Land,' Picture pens in 81 Iowa theatres Dec. 2 to 7, rith Tri-States Theatre Corp. Central States, the Harold Fields circuit and independent houses participative.



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Pure faultary, this.... It takes more than a willful woman to come between a man and his Wheaties. In fact, the wife Wheaties.

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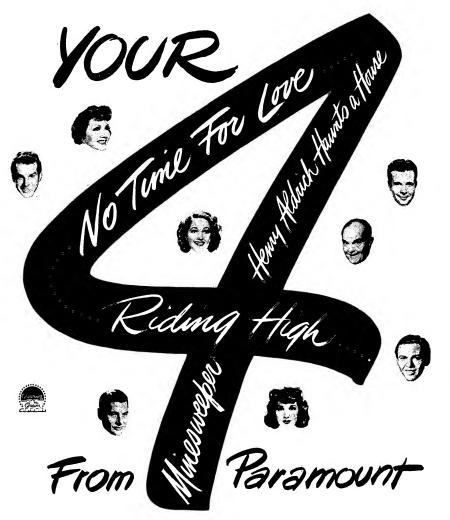
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The $New\ Block$ of fine entertainments that fill the overwhelming exhibitor demand for more musicals, comedies and romances, as expressed in motion picture herald's nation-wide survey f

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Army Morale Series preside

Aftiny into die Settes
Edney Ridge, of WBIG, Gréensboro, N. C., is in New York to audition an Army morale series for CBS.
He's accompanied by Pvt. Joseph
Ruscoll: and Pvt. Willard Lampedi,
script writers serving with the Army
Air Forces. Greensboro.
The prospective program would
originate at WBIG and be heard, on

Time Buying Field in Chi

With more and more time buyers from the various agencies here enlering the armed forces, the womer have literally an actually taker over the time buying field. Check this week shows that 18 agencies have turned their time buying chore

over to femmes.

Among them are June Rollinson for Russel M. Seeds, Bergie Boe for McFarland Averyard. Margaret Mylie for J. Walter Thompson, Bettey Muriel Wageman for Sorenen Co. Janet Murray Jor Schwimmer and Socti, Docotly Parions for Mitchell Faust, Genevieve Lemper for Foots, Cone and Boding, Hard Coltrek for Cone and Boding, Hard Coltrek for Burray. Cone and Myrite Wogli for Lee Burnett.

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Burnett.

Others are Edna rickson for McCann Erickson, Lila Lewis for McCann Erickson, Lila Lewis for George Hartman, Cora Hawkinson (Campbell Milton, Annette Kennelly for Arthur Myerhoff Loretta, St. Pierre for United Advertising, Carolyn Bonneson for Sherman Marquette and Helena Clayton for Weiss and Geller.

Ed Cashman to Coast

*Ed Cashman, vice-president of the Foote. Cone & Belding agency in charge of the American Tobacco account, goes to the Coast over the weekend for huddles on the Kay Week Program.

He'll be gone about three weeks.

NAB Music Committee

In 2-Day N.Y. Huddle IN 2-Day N.1. Huddle
NAB Missic Committee will
have its first incetting at the Hoosevelt hotel. N. Y, today Wednesday)
and temorrow. Gathering will distuses various trade problems and
will conclude with a cocktail party
at the Seymour hotel, tomorrow
(Thursday) afternoon.

Neville Miller, NAB head, will

A & C Now Among

About and Costello, who externed to the air several weeks assure that the cost of the cost

CBS RESEARCH UNIT FOR PROGRAM WRITERS

CBS has formed a program re-search unit to supply material for its program writers. It is headed by searen unit to supply material for its program writers. It is headed by Stanley Mirkin, former researcher for the Transatlantic Call' exchange series aired by CBS in cooperation with BBC.

with BBC.

The unit will be attached to the network's reference library, under William Ackerman.

San Antonio's KABC 'Cadet Chapel' Series

"San Antonio, Nov. 30.
"San Antonio Nov. 30.
"San Antonio Aviation Cadet Conter will air new series of broadcasts lover KABC littled Cadet
over KABC littled Cadet
over Cade and cade
over Cade



"THE CROWD KEPT YELLING FOR MORE" "It's Rubinoff who knows what to do with a fiddle when it comes to popular music. The crowd kept yelling for more . . "—AL WEITSCHAT, Detroit News.

"The younger swing set knocked itself out with Rubinoff's boogie-wood business... had them bringing him back for more."—CHARLES GENTR The Betroit. Times.

"Rubinoff drew a reception such as is seldom the good fortune of artist... impossible to meet the demands that brought him back agi and again."—LEN G, SHAW, Detroit Free Press. With enthusiastic audiences in every city, Rubland is ready to deliver the top radio rating of his career.

Exclusive Radio Representatives
A. & S. LYONS, Inc.
ison Ave., New York. PL, 3-8181

Boys Overseas Want Postwar Setup Plans, So Sked 'Town Meeting' Airings

Ruffner Joins WOR, N. Y., As Daytime Programmer

Edmund B. (Tiny') Ruffner, for-merly radio director of the Ruthrauff & Ryan Hollywood office, has been named director of daytime program-ming for WOR, N. Y., effective Dec.

Top 10 Shows He succeeds Raymond E. Nelson, who has resigned to go into commercial radio.

1st Time on Air. Alcoa Decides On **Daytime Serial**

news commentators and other for-mats for their first venture into mats for their first venture into radio as an advertising medium, the Aluminum Company of America has decided on a strip drama for their Saturday morning (11:30-12) show, being launched over 123 NBC sta-tions this week (41. An outline of the new program, was described to radio eds and the press at a Wail-dorf Astoria, N. Y. cocktail, party Monday (29).

Monday (29).

Also explained was Alcoa's decision to jump into the broadcasting field at a time when they have no consumer products to sell. C. C. Carr, director of public relations, for the construction of the construction of

that the company's product be used in manufactured items even though those items will not necessarily be manufactured by Alcoa, Carr pointed

Show has been tentatively littled Lightled Windows' and concerns a pupiel American family. Bault Lightled Windows' and concerns a pupiel American family. Bault Robinson, co-author of the legiter Sailor Beware; is the writer. Pack-sac was prepared by Transtamerican and set through Fuller & Smith & Alcoa's decision to present a Vipical Janily; show is the reverse of a recent noticeasile trend in radio in favor of variety shows and other in favor of variety shows and other in favor of variety shows and other

in favor of variety shows and other types of radio fare.

Army Men East to Set DX Band Shows For U. S. Troops Overseas

U. S. Iroops Uverseas.

Group from the Army Service
Forces, stationed on the Cuast, is
currently east to originate a number of binadeosts for the Armys
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to be a consumer of the
troops overseas. Among the airings
the band shows y the Lionel
Hamaton, Count Basic, Andy, Kirk
Those in the group include Maj,
Mann Holliner, Capt. Meredith WilThose in the group include Maj,
Mann Holliner, Capt. Meredith WilMann Holliner, Capt. Meredith WilSan, Sgt. Jerry Lawrence, Skt. Hichson, Sgt. Jerry Lawrence, Skt. Hichand Corp. Robert Welch.

R.C. Music Hall Going Back on Air Fri. (3)

DaCK Off and FT.1. (A)

Radio City, Music Itali 'rogram is returning to like air after an elsence of more than a year, switching from a Juli-hour Sunday afternoon show to a half-hour Friday night (II:38-III) program via NBC. Program reasong, the title Radio City Myaes and the state of the s

sons of airings, again featured as maestro.
Format will be the same as in the past, with guest artists, both instrumental and vocal, to be featured. Opening program will include Pvt. Ossy Renardy, the violinist; Selma Kaye, soprano, and the Music Hall Glee Chib.

Theatre of Operations who are Theatre of Operations who are cur-rently hearing transcriptions (sange commercials) of popular variety and commercials of popular variety and forces. Network, may have a ceiving a solid political diet brough diese of the Blue's America's Town Meeting of the ALV. It has been re-chief of the APN, has reformed chief of the APN, has reformed chief of the APN, has remove chief of the APN, has remove whethy aims on the AFN, and that weekly aims on the AFN, and that soon it is received an united have soon it received an united have on. o.k.

Wednesday, December 1, 1913

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are far alread of the U.S. in informing troops as to why they are identified to the U.S. in informing troops as to why they are identified to conflict. Our ally works this librough the Army Burcau of Current Affairs, was "slusation, Anglo American Kussian relations, the trouble with the Germans are typical, he declares, The last named topic was the subject of a play written by Sqt. Murray, United the Company of the Army British Theological Company was there, several days himter the plays were discussed at an ABCA forms.

The highest officers in the British British

The highest officers in the British Army have satisfied themselves that ABCA has improved the morale of the fighting men. And it is reported that General Bernard Montgomery uses ABCA 200°c, Denny says.

uses ABCA 2007; Denny says.
While he was in Great Britain
Denny arranged two regular Town
Meetings' foe broadeast to the U.S.
and several Army Town Meetings,
held throughout the Jales before andiences of allied /troops. The first
ATM, at Plynouth Oct 4, was titled
Should the Axis war louder face
This Week magazine, and Alan
Michie, of Reader's Digest, were the
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MBS NOV. TIME SALES \$1,450,000; UP 60%

Mutual's gross time sales in November source to \$1,450,000 or 60% over the \$910,167 reported by the network for Nov. 1942. This brings the total for the first 11 months of 43 to \$12,208,264.

Time sales for the comparative January to November period last year totaled \$8,775,305.

HURCH BIG BIZ FOR RAI

Ouent Reynolds Rounds Out Preem Philco-Variety' 'Hall of Fame' Show

Addition of Quentin Reynolds for a commentator spot on the Philosophy Carlety Radio Hall of Fame Pariapirogram, which preems next Sunday (3) over the Blue Network from New York and Hollywood, rounds out the debut per Bb Hopes spot, the latter sharing the headline bit-ing of the full-hour's variety show with a condensation of Moss Hart's Winged Victory, plus Jimmy Durante, Hildegarde and Mauriee Rocco, masterio of a 31-40-piece orchestra, and Deems Taylor the permanent content.

Phileo Corp, is titlizing its return to coast-to-coast radio by a sequence or merchandring iteups. Being a Sunday show, a series of cocktail-rice in sunday show; a series of cocktail-rice in sunday show; a series of cocktail-rice in sunday show in the complete in the comp *An example of the Phileo manner of merchandizing is the cocktail party for 750 being staged in Detroit.

In N. Y., the entire Philee executive staff, from board chairman. Larry Grubs down, will preside at an invitation dinner-dance at the Hotel Plans, directly after 400 of the Philee Insuling from the Philedphia home-office, N. Y. and vicinity, plus, of course, a specially invited quota from Variety. However, it's Phileds party, with Whiteman's mode for (Coullinace) on page 330.

Elgin Co. Dropping 'Man Behind Gun'

Chicago, Nov. 30.

Chicago, Nov. 30.

'Man Behind the Gun,' Elgin Watch Co., sponsored show on the CSB network, will be dropped by the veatch company at the explication of the company at the company of the company at the company of the

CBS' All-Fem. Show Costs Record \$8,000 In Coast Auditions

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The all-temme program recently waxed by the Columbia Broadcasting System here is said to be the most expensive sudfition event of the control of the control of the country of the c

nonths. Hal Hudson, KNX program direc-York for inspection by advertising agencies. The network is determined to keep the show 100%

DAVIS CHI DIRECTOR FOR J. W. THOMPSON

Tyler Davis, formerly radio director for the Kenyon & Exchard Region of the Control of the Region of the State of the Region of the State of the Region of t

One-Minute Shows

William Morris office has signed a novel team that puts on a one a novel team that puts on a one-minute show. Allan Kent and Auslin H. Croome. Croome-John son, producers of the capsule ad jingles heard on the networks, have been pacted by the agency. Team writes the words, music and produce, direct and cast the complete 60-second layout.

Philco-'Variety' Preeming Over 109-Station Net

The Blue Network's national after that the concentration of the plant The Blue Network's national af-

New NBC Outlet

WTBO, Cumberland, Md., 250-watt station owned by the Associated Broadcasting Corp., joins NBC Jan. 1 as a basic supplementary outlet. WTBO occupies the 1450 kilocycles

\$200,000,000 TAKE FROM LISTENERS

Chicago, Nov. 30.

With an estimated \$290,000,000 rolling into church coffers cachy from radio listeners and local stations all over the country tolerawith religious programs, the church
is rapidly becoming 'big business' in radio. Indicative of the trent is
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now a proportionately large amount of their time laten by religious sponsors of their time laten by religious sponsors.

Typical of the smaller stations is MAIT. Solow-vatient with 94; hours out of 11 hours on the air on Sunday to the smaller stations is suited to impossion of religious promotions of the state of th

large precentage of cases durings. Typical of this type of phoney preacher is one individual who, with nestmated take of more than \$15.000, a week, uses transcriptions on over 300 small stations. Listeners the Lord, and directed to forward hier contribution to a bilind post office toos. For many of these piculad preachers, their only church is the mike (Continuod on page 23).

Union Pacific NBC Show Seen Pattern For Other Systems Going Network: Fear Postwar Air Travel Competish

Showmanagement Survey After 38th Anni Number

In response to many inquiries regarding 'Variety's' Showman-agement Survey for 1943, this review will not be included in the Anniversary Number this time, but will be made a special feature shortly after the publication of the Anniversary is special for the Anniversary is specia

of the Anniversary issue.

The interval between anouncement and deadline will be broad enough to allow for the preparation of station presentations.

Thompson Seen **Getting Ford Biz** From Maxon Co.

The Ford account, now hold by the Maxon agency, is expected to switch shortly to J. Walter Thompson, which is understood to have submitted a major budget radio program with name talent, to originar with the annual talent, to originar on the Coast.

Henry Stanon, vice-president of the Chapton agency in clurary of the Chapton agency in clurary of the Chapton agency in clurary and the chapton agency in clurary and the chapton agency in clurary to the Chapton agency in a specific part of the Ch

Mary Harris With Y.&R. Mary Harris, formerly a production assistant on the Phil Baker program and previously with Ruthrauff & Ryan, has joined the Young & Rubicam agency.

She assists Woody Klose, daytime radio director.

Travel Competish

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omaha affiliate, is unusual in several respects. This is the first time since the late Empire Builder series for the Great Northern Railroad on MBC that a railroad has used a coast-to-coast hookup. Coples Co. is

"Post-War Show Business"

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Goodvear Acct. Goes to Y. & R.

Goodyear Rubber has transferred, its account from the Kudner agency to Young & Rubbeam and, effective in mid-January, will drop its Salsite with program Tuesday nights on the Kudner agency to the property of the property o Talent on 'Youth' includes Ray-

Lawrence Vacates As Jack Carson Producer; Sticks to Lady Esther

Hollywood, Nov. 30, ill Lawrence, who succeeded Vic Knight as the producer of the Jack Carson show for Campbell Soup, is calling it quits.

Henceforth Lawrence will devote his full time to producing the Screen Guild program for Lady Esther.

GEO. ROSEN NEW RADIO EDITOR OF VARIETY'

George Rosen is the new tadio editor of 'Variety'. He has been on the homeoffice editorial staff, and has an experienced, general show business background.

Rosen succeeds Ben Bodec, who residently to join the J. Walter Thumpson agency in N. Y.

Trammell. Back From War Fronts. Asks Post-War Propaganda Curbs

in favor of an last week ciganization representing the Allies. ciganization répresenting the Ames, which will quante that after the war no individual consultation of the which will guarantee that after the

Meed News From Home

Need News From Home Tranmell pointed out 'that the American soldier is very anxious to get more news from home, either newspapers, magazines or radio news broadcasts. At the present time they have a great deal of dif-ficulty hearing our shortwave broad-easts.

Now the only news they get and get regularly is BBC news. Transmell added that in Tunis and Algiers radio stations. And in the stations they carry recorded broadcasts of all the popular American programs—Bbb Mpd. Finth, Pred Waring. These shows, beamed minus the commercials, average about 25 minutes in length, and interest. And Army amounterments of the stationary of th

clude OWI and Army announce-ments.

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He declared that NBC has several plans to correct this shortcoming that we intend to discuss with the various' government officials. In the land to discuss with the various' government officials. In his lalks with Generals Eisenhower. Clark and other top officers. Tranumell said that they expressed a desire to see news of individuals—to have reported as well as radio dividinils rather than battle movements.

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max depriving them of thes recordis. The recordings were good,
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mustrating war aims. They have various discussion groups along that line in England, he said, but whether they are doing that over in North Africa as yet I don't know.

New 250-Watter

Construction . Texas, Nov. 30, construction to the control of the

O'Meara in N. Y. For Y.&R. Agcy. Huddles

Carroll, O'Mear, of the Coast of-fice of Young & Rubicam, is entrent-ly in New York for huddles with agency executives. During his stay east. Walter Bunker is subbing as director of the Burns and Allen program for Lever Bros. (Swan Soap).

Widow's Threat of Suit Stymies 'Iron Major' Airings By Lux Theatre

Hollywood, Nov. nade a quick switch Monday night (29) from "The Iron Major" to 'The

payment.

The agency ducked legal involvement and repeated Navy with Pal O'Brien, Ruth Warrick and Chester Morris. O'Brien was to have played the Cavanaugh role, anyway.

GUEST-NAME POLICY FOR CBS 'ROMANCE

FOR CBS 'RUMANUE'
Romance', suitaining dramatic
series Thieday nights on WABCCBS, started as guest-name policy
with Gloria Blondell's appearance on
start night's 309 broadest. Brian
Aherne is signeed for the Dec. 3 Brown
Welles act on the next two stances.
Mark Loeb, director- of Romance,
has also taken over direction of the
This Life is Mine 'seria' on CBS
The Colone' on the same network.
Nila Mack has taken over direction
of the other CBS sustainer serial.
Now and Forever, in addition to
the other CBS sustainer serial.
Now and Forever, in addition to
the Columbia 'School of the Air.'

Firestone Sponsoring Weekly Tele Show

Firestone tires entered the com-mercial tele field Monday night 129) with the first of a series of filmed Inst-hour, shows over WNBT. New York television outlet for NBC. Con-tracts have been signed for 13 weeks and programs will be broadcast at 9.30 p.m.

and programs will be brondered and 200 pm.
200 pm. how was an institutional message irrging conservation of tires and other tubber products and was preceded by a brief celluloid dialog between Harvey S. Firestone, Jr., for the sponsor, and Niles Trammell, NBC presy. Firestone is the first extensive national advertiser to be corralled by NBC for television.

Allen's Alley Loses Three of Its Tenants

Three of Its Tenants
Fred Allen will be sty three of Its
Allen's Alley characters when he
Allen's Alley characters when he
New York. Minerva Plous and John
From have been amilien by the
California simshine and are remaining on the Jack Benny program.

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With Duffy's Taxem' in the Coat
with Duffy after 18 weeks in New
mount filming of the show.

Charlie Changes Comics

Hollywood, Nov. 30.
Thirteen-week cycle ended last Sunday (28) for Victor Moore and Billy Gaxton on the Edgur Bergen

coffee show. Bert Lahr comes in for three gues shots and if all hands are satisfied he'll continue as a regular.



PAULA KELLY THE MODERNAIRES

"The Glenn Miller Singers" "The Glann Miller Singers"

see the redeeming features of the bill. Present a next appearance and swing into some zingo parmotizing, which won the andimer from the tecoff. I lones went or them in a hig way, and the tec howed off to a ble hund."

VARIETY," Nov. 17, 1943.

Current Riverside, Milwauk Representative, TOM SHEILS

Several Dicker For 'Town Hall'

Several large corporations interested in building up postwar good will are elicible to the Blue's The forum, currently heard on 97 stations, not 89 as was previously reported, will coot the sponer approximately \$15,000 a week, \$11,000 for full network time and at least \$5,000 for the program.

U.S.S. McClelland Honors 1st Radioite Killed This War, At Pearl Harbor

War, AI Feari Nation

Denver, Nov. 30.

Signal honors will be paid the
first member of the radio industry
to be killed in World War II when
destroyer escort to be Thomas
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Denver, was gerving aboard the USS
Arizonn at the time of the attack on
Pearl Harbor. He was critically in
Just be mobiliar just hearts after the

Jap bombing raid.
.The destroyer excort will be christ-The destroyer escort will be christmed by his widow, Mrs. Lovellinar
McClelland. She was among a party
to participate in the launching ceremonies. Others making the trip included Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Terry. He
is manager of KLZ.
KLZ has arranged to record the
exercmonies and will present a delayed physhock.

From the Production Centres

IN NEW YORK CITY

Brad Reynolds, barilone, has been added to the B.-S.-II. marin 'Broad-way Calling' show, which starts on CBS Dec. 2. ...Leon Levine, CBS as-sistant director of educational programs, appointed to Health Education Advisory Committee of N. Y. City Department of Health...Joseph K. Mason heads NDC's continuity acceptance, assecting Sockobs, Intelligence

sistant director of educational programs, appointed to, Heatin Education Advisory Committee of N. Y. (City Department of Heatin.) Jacopa K. Mason heads NBC s continuity acceptance, succeeding Stockton Heldrich. Mason heads NBC s continuity acceptance, succeeding Stockton Heldrich. Jay Smuners and Will Glickman no longer writing the Gerturde Lawrence show for Revion. Many Mason, who recently slowed the 'Address Tamily series: cast for Cornells olds Skinner's daughter in the 'William Brown to Mexico for vacations after windin up his fectire tear Dee, 8 in Galveston. Due back early in January. Fritz Block has writing an Brown to Mexico for vacations after windin up his fectire tear Dee, 8 in Galveston. Due back early in January. Fritz Block has writing an ury, 8 Bond Wagon's series. Charles Horbert Jone the CBS division with radio director Tom Harrington, production chief Harry Ackerma under department was without an executive: when the control of the CBS division of the CBS

dows!... Diane Courtney guests Friday (3) on the Owerie-Illinois show.

With Alfrad Drake.

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When the People of the People of the People of the People series...

Orchestra conductor Gordon Jenkins in from Jullywood for conductor Handle of the People of the

IN HOLLYWOOD . . .

IN CHICAGO . . .

IN CHICAGO...

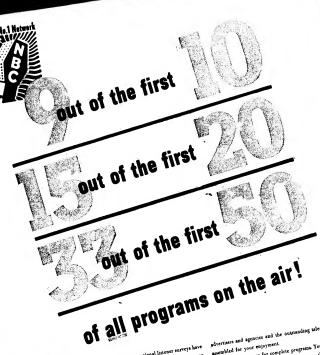
Ren. Kvippenoff, formerly with the RKO publicity office on the Cost layed playback.

COCA-COLA ALSO WANTS

VICTORY FOR AIR SHOW

Wingsed Victory. already applied

This advertisement now appearing in full pages in newspapers from coast to coast as a part of the 1943-44 promotion of the NBC Parade of Stars.



The greatest shows in radio are on NBC

Repealedly, season after season, national listener surveys have found that the programs of the National Broadcasting Company are the nation's choice. And this season that's true ogain! Latest independent surveys place the NBC Parade of Stars far out in front. They show that the great majority of all the listeners questioned avor the topologica mows which have been questioned avor the topologica mows which had been this station ... the shows made possible by America's leading 2... no wonder linesing to NBC has become teners questioned favor the top-flight shows which distinguish

advertisers and agencies and the outstanding talent they have

See your radio page for complete programs You'll agree that assembled for your enjoyment. NBC broadcasting presents radio at its best ... the best in entertainment, comedy, drama, music, education and news coverage. No wonder NBC is the network most people listen to most

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A BERVICE OF RADIO CORPORATION OF AMERICA

Staid Philly Bulletin Selling Radio Log Listings, Including Sponsor's Tag

Philadelphia, Nov. 30. The radio log has become a source of revenue to the Philadelphia Evening ulletin. The paper, largest long time given deadpan listing ig time network shows or and broadcasts have been listed

Combertand, Md. — Date Robert, see general manager of WAR. Wisners' feal was described on the cranton, Pa, has resigned to be care station manager of wRA. Wisners' feal was described on the crance station manager of write hate, who hoped Wisner got to the same on time.

WISMER AIRS GAME THE VERY HARD WAY

Youngstown, O., Nov.

Harry Wismer, radio sports announcer for the Bine Network, who announced the Penn-Cornell game

us and monderasts have been listed in a superior as variety of venius. Local animost care just as laddy.

Londer a new arrangement, sponsors may obtain full listing with name of sponsors, name of shows rame of shows rame of shows rame of shows rame of shows and the state of \$2.20 for five words. Local animost of sonsors name of shows.

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N.Y. Local Demands Pay For Musicians, Halts NBC Tele to Hospitals

N.Y. Lead 802 of the AFM re-fused to allow NBC's television di-vision to broadcast a performance of the Spolice of the Company of the Spolice of the Spolice of the High Threaday. Due to the ban, the show, aimed at various Army and Navy hospitals in the N.Y., area, was put on the air suns musical ac-companiment.

companiment.
Local's stance against picking up
the accompanying melody was based
on its conclusion that NBC cannot
restrict transmission of such shows
to receiving sets of soldiers. Since
the public, too, could have picked it,
up, it was felt the 'Pollier' musicians
should be paid the regular can't
thinn addee that the public is get-

ting enough free music as it is. Television scale is \$18 per man double for leaders fused to pay it.

Tele Outlet's Extension

Television Productions, Inc., of Los Augeles, has been granted a modification of its construction per-nit by FCC. The countission ex-tended until Feb. I. 1944, the date for completion of its experimental

Television I · Productions · controls

the move is to Mutual...

SPONSOR	PROGRAM	TO MUTUAL
AMERICAN CIGARETTE & CIGAR COMPANY	GRACIE FIELDS, "VICTORY SHOW"	OCTOBER 18
DUBONNET CORPORATION	XAVIER CUGAT, "YOUR DUBONNET DATE"	NOVEMBER I
GRC BORATORIES	RAY DADY, NEWS COMMENTATOR	NOVEMBER I
METRO-GOLDWYN-MAYER	FULTON OURSLER, "THE PEOPLE'S REPORTER"	NOVEMBER 15
LEWIS-HOWE COMPANY	JULIA SANDERSON, "LET'S BE CHARMING"	DECEMBER 2
CLARK BROTHERS CHEWING GUM COMPANY	JOHN J. ANTHONY, "GOOD WILL HOUR"	DECEMBER S

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Craven, FCC Member, Assails Setup. Takes Rap at U. S. Control of Radio

Washington, Nov. 30.

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Craven said that the broadcasters are now showing a trend to correct abuses themselves. But if Congress wants to go further, he suggested provision in the taw against misteading information, malectant strring or want and religious strring or want and religious hard should be tried in court, not by the FCC. the FCC Would Rotate Chairmanship

. would "Rotate Chairmanship A new plan for Totalion of the chairmanship of the FCC was suspensed here vesterday 129 by Judge Eigene D. Sylos, former chairman of both FCC and its predecessor, the Federal Radio Commission.

Sykes pointed out that the seven communications commissioners are named for seven-year terms, and arged that chairmanship be rotated

urged that chairmanship be rotated among them. He favored the plan in the bill to divide the commission into two parts, one in charge of radio and the other in charge of commercial communications, and suggested in this connection that members be rotated between the units.

tween the units.

Sykes clashed once with Senator
Burton K. Wheeler, chairman of the
committee and co-author of the bill,
over a provision which would prevent FCC interference with the
business practices of the broadcasting companies. Sykes favored a
strong provision to halt such inter-

ference.

Business practices, said Wheeler, cover a wide field. If FCC can't regulate the business practices of radio in the public interest, you might as well abolish the commission except to allocate frequencies. Radio would be uncontrolled. Wheeler said that a court would in-Wheeler said that a court would in-terpret business practices to include programming, and then stations and entworks would be free to put on the air whatever they wished. Sykes felt I that programs would not be so included by the courts but went on to add. There should be no supervision of programs. Feel has broad power to programs. Feel has broad power to is in the public interest, convenience and service when the application for

and service when the application for renewal comes up.

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This comes right back to regulating programs," said Wheeler. Statement was complained about the fear the statement was complained about the fear the statement of the statemen

witnesses, Sykes urged that the new bill set up a graduated scale of penalties for stations, in place of the present situation under which FCC must withdraw the license of a sta-tion for an infraction of the rules. Wheeler said he was strongly in

First witness yesterday was Earl J. Glade, mayor of Sall Lake City and operator of station KSL, CBS affiliate, the majority of whose stock is owned by the Mormon church.

disagreed with the previous remarks of chairman James E. Ply; and Solid with the previous remarks of chairman James E. Ply; and Solid wheeler concerning of the public wants sought should get them.

At one point in the proceedings, Craven was moved to remark. During the Blue network hearing two modered if I was in America.

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'But until recently,' Wheeler snapped back, 'the Blue was part of NBC.

Glade, generally an ingratiatin, witness, argued that small stations need plenty of all types of advertis-ing to keep them going and said that

ing to keep them going and said that they frequently carry programs they should not in order to get money to work in business. The first con-station is primarily interested in ma-tional advertising and leaves the loval business to small outlets in Sait Lake City. Glade agreed with Wheeler that stations where earry controversial

stations which carry controversial programs should give time for the other side of the question. In the case of KSL, he said, All news analysts have been taken off the air (Continued on page 33)



Last Sunday at midnight, New Yorkers

listening to WNEW heard a top-flight transcribed dramatic thriller.

Its name: "Macbeth." Its cast: Maurice

Evans and Judith Anderson.

Our listeners were not surprised.

WNEW listeners are never surprised.



REPRESENTED BY JOHN BLAIR & COMPANY



. and 81 Newspapers, too!

Rural Minnesota sees as well hears what Harry Aspleaf, KSTP's Farm Service Director, has to say.

No - we're not televising yet, but, in addition to broadcasting 18 popular programs weekly, Harry writes a by-lined column, "On the Minnesota Farm Front." And despite space limitations, 81 papers publish Harry's column each week, winning hosts of new friends and keeping old ones sold on KSTP and its Farm Service Director the northwest's outstanding radio agriculturalist.

This is just one more way in which KSTP is constantly cultivating and enlarging its important rural audience. Other features of our current promotional campaign are:

- 1. Big ads in The Farmer (Minnesota circulation, 147,000).
- 2. Full page ads in Land O'Lakes News, reaching 65,000 Minnesota farmers.
- 3. Audience building ads in 344 rural newspapers.
- 4. Personal appearances of KSTP's Barn Dance group in Minnesota towns.
 - 5. "Around Radio Row" (radio news-and-gossip column) published weekly by 70 country newspapers.

Sales-wise promotion like this adds an important plus to KSTP's effective and economical coverage of the rich Twin Cities Market. Let KSTP do the big selling job for you in Minnesota.

50,000 WATTS . . . Clear Channel

Exclusive NBC Affiliate for



Edward Petry & Company

Inventor Sees Craig Transmission System Opening Up Tele Network

Information about a new type of television transmission system, which if adopted may revolutionize the industry and end many of the head-ne's now bothering it, was revealed Monday (29) by Dr. Palmer H. Craig, the invention

Monday (28) by Dr. Palmer H. Craile the inventor.
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Visualizes Tete Network The scientist said Monday that his system makes possible the formation of a television network similar to radio networks because under it telecasts could be carried on ordinary telephone lines and because they

mary telephone lines and because they would have a range approximately the same as those of present-day broadcasts, instead of the 50 mile radius which now limits telecasting. Dr. Craigh sab been working on his television system for 15 or 20 years, the last few under the auspices of the University of Forrida, where is head of the department of the control of the c

of patents on various electrical, ra-dio and television devices.

The 'Craig System,' its inventor declared holds several advantages over present television methods. It will, he said:

a. 'Carry a televised program any-where a sound broadcast is carried today—the same distance with same power and wave lengths

b. Transmit an image 'continuous-ly and it uses light intensities which are extremely small.'

are extremely small!.
c. Operate on a 'side band' of frequencies 'comparatively narrow, being of the same order as those used in standard broadcasting.
d. 'Make it possible for radio slations to convert to television quickly and to use presently allocated kilocycle space.

Puts- Cost at \$250.000

Pats Cost at \$25,000°.
The 'Craig System' has never been built in its entirety, the scientist said various parts of it have been built and tested experimentally. A commencer count \$25,000 and it big electrical company its now considering financing the experiments further. Dr. Craig is being soonsered by Victor Van Der Linde. a chemical engineer formerly associated whether as the complex property of the company of the compa

sored by Victor Van Der Linde. Is sored by Victor Van Der Linde. Is elemental engineer formerly associated with the image is focused on a photocritic cell which emite gas ionscientification. It is a solid to the control of the cont

purpose.
The scientist said that so far films ine scientist said that so far hims give the best definition when used as the subjects on his transmitter, and that that is true of present-day television. He said that the smaller light intensities required would permit better outdoor telecasts.

MBS Adds 2 in Texas

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Two new affiliates in Texas have been added to the Mittual web as members of the Texas state network.

Mutual unit. The new outlets, both 1,000-watters, are KFRO, Longview, and KBWD, Brownwood.

KFRO uses a frequently of 1370 kilocycles, and KBWD uses the 1380

H'wood for New Blue Net Site

Hollywood, Nov. 30. Hollywood, Nov. 30.

Scouting sites for network studios is no new experience for Don Gilman, the Bluc's western division byss. He picked the first location for NBC inov tenanted by Don Leo; and is responsible for the concentration of radio along Surset boulevard. And here the goes again on the proved for the Blue's new Coast

the prowl for the Blue's new Coast headquarters.
On his return last week from meeting of Blue affiliate mutugers with Edward Noble, owner of the Blue. Gilman said that he had been deputized by the headman to start looking at once for the ground site to house the Blue's triple enterprises. broadcasting, television and frequency modulation. That Gilman will keep his sights trained in the vicinity of Sunset and Vire is foregone and several realty deals are already simmering.

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Gilman hopes to have the site picked and a rough draft of the building plans ready when Neble comes west after first of the year to trke in the Coast picture. The Blue can remain as tenants of NBC's Radio City for a year after and of the war but both Noble and constitution of the war but both Noble and quarters. Soon after pones will quarters a soon after pone a suppossible and are eager to have everything in readiness for a start when building materials are released for private enterprise.

OMAHA ASSN. SPONSORS MBS 'FREEDOM' SHOW

Network show sponsored by an Omaha firm, was announced Saturday. 1271 to start about Jan. 1 over 125 Mutual stations, when the Mutual Benefit Health and Accident Assn. opens its Freedom of Opportunity program in conjunction with the U. S. Junior Chamber of Com-

ldca is to dramatize the careers of locassful young men. Candidates loca is to dramatize the careers, of successful young men. Candidates for the Junior Chamber's outstanding young nan award will have their stories told in the half hour program every Friday at 7:30 p.m. Deal is for 26 weeks, with the hroadcast originating from Chicago.

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Show, Rapp Going Legit William Show, Rapp Going Legit William Show and Maxwell House program initil network time opens up for a show of this own but unless the awitch is his own but unless the awitch is his own but unless the awitch is diam will have to get along without pill lapps, which formerly wrote the enhancement for his own show and is withdrawing around first of the year to devote his time to playwring. William Show and is withdrawing around first of the year to devote his time to playwring to they are to the year to the will be a shown to the year to they will be to the year to they will be to the year to they will be the year to the year to the year to take year production. Engineer will be year to they are year to take year production. Engineer will be year to the year to her stage successes.

Arthur 'Buddy' Harris is latest addition to stuff of mikemen at KABC.

He's received a medical discharge from Air Corps.

He was announcer at KMAC here prior to induction.

Payroll Traffic **********

Pittsburgh — Ed Rogers, from Washington, latest addition to announcing staff at WCAE, where, he replaces Joe Mulvihill, who recently left to take a post at WGAR, Cleve-

Washington,—Lee Chadwick, for-mer WTOP publicity director, to WWNC. Asheville, N. C., as program director. Chadwick left WTOP to director. Chadwick left WTOP t ville station after receiving medical

New York .- Mary Jane Kroll has appointed director of women's Pendleton Dudley, where she was food account exec.

San Antonio.—Two newcomers on the distaff side join the KTSA staff as replacements for make personnel caught in the draft. Replacing Ram-sey Yelvington is Ardyce Pfansteil, in the continuity department. Also new is Nita Oneda Caster.

Philadelphia—Fred Moore, WFIL engineer, last week resigned to join Blackett, Sample & Hummert, in charge of transcriptions.

Syraeuse—Irving Kaufman, using the nom d'ether. Happy Jim Parssons: goes in as m.c. on the WSVR Schwimmer and Scoll, zecout execution of the show for the past seven pilot of the show for the past seven years. Jeske is transferring to beginning expanding the syraeus when the show the state of the show the show

Toscanini, Jersey Radio Station Team to Locate U.S. Relatives of Italian

The combined efforts of Arturo Toscanini and Guiseppe Lupis, directorial programs on WIOM, effort of the Combined Combin

tives here.

Toscanini passed the letter on to Lupis, who announced the fact over his 'Home Front' program Nov. 2; Three days later a Mrs. Mazzafeill Cusano, Jersey City, phoned Lupis to say that she was Paolo's aunt and that she knew where the rest of his retailives were to be foun.

DE LUXE BEER'S BLUE SHOW PREEMS DEC. 21

Fox DeLuxe Variety Hall, new network show sponsored by the Fox DeLuxe Beer Company of Chicago, will probably take to the air Dec 21, Starting date is contingent upon the Blues' clearing station time by that date. Show, which will originate from WLW. Clincimati, will be aired Tuesdays 6.90-7 (CWT).

For years smart folks have said-

Why doesn't someone wake up and put on a night-time quality show Saturday morning?

"Soap opera" is a long way from being washed up-but-if you want honest, streamlined corn, dial your local NBC station next Saturday morning at 11:00 E.W.T. and you'll find that behind the soap bubbles is the kind of entertainment that promises a real rainbow . . .

"Hook 'n Ladder Follies"

Modestly yours,

Frank Novak



NEXT SUNDAY...PHILCO

inaugurates a new program of All-Star Entertainment... and a New Service to the radio listeners of America...

The Radio Hall of Fame

a Radio Review of the Top Hits from all fields of entertainment, as judged and selected by

VARIETY

LEADING AUTHORITY OF THE SHOW WORLD

SUNDAY, at six o'clock in New York, a coast-to-coast hook-up of the Blue Network, a brand new idea, sensational menorements to the air. The Radio Hall of Fame makes its debit with . . . the first radio presentation of high lights from the new Army Air Forces show "Winged Victory", the smash hit of Broadway . . Bob Hope . . Jimmy Durante . . . Hildegarde . . . Roceo . . . Panl Whiteman and his orchestra . . and Deems Taylor as master of ceremonies.

All-star entertainment, great names and famons artists... but more than that, a brand new service to the radio listeners of America! What the Academy Award is to the movies, what the Rose Bowl and the All-Star Games are to sports, what the Reader's Digest is to the magazines, the Radio Hall of Fame will be to the entire world of entertainment.

Variety Magazine, for thirty-eight years the leading authority and most influential publication in the show world, will be the judge and jury to bring this show of shows to radio, Every week, Abel Green, Editorin-Chief and his nationwide board of editors and correspondents will comb Broadway, Hollywood and the air waves, they will scan theatres, concerts, studios, night clubs and popular song centers in every part of the country. And every week they will judge and select the best... the top hits... the performances that make headline news, nationally or locally ... for the Radio Hall of Fame.

Thus, by its very nature, this radio show of shows produces the greatest program of all-star entertainment ever conceived. Because every act, culled from every branch of the show world, is a hit, tried and proven. It gets a repeat performance on the Radio Hall of Fame because somewhere in its field it has been judged and chosen as the best.

Secondly, it brings a new and mique service to the radio listeners of America. A program they tune in not only for its top entertainment but to keep informed on the most sorth-while events in the anusement world. For whenever a performance anywhere makes headline news in the field of entertainment, whenever it makes an outstanding record or becomes a topic of conversation among the well-informed, it will find a place for a rehearing on the Radio Hall of Fame.

And finally, it will be a source of inspiration and incentive to the entertainment profession itself. Many an artist, scene or program reaches the heights and is forever gone after a single performance. Many a budding genius makes a local sensation and yearns for a nationwide audience. All these —if they're truly (psp.—will have their change and their andience on the Radio Hall of Fame.

Launching the Radio Hall of Fame now is a reflection of Philo's confidence in victory and its anticipation of the day when the achievements of Philo war research and production will be translated to the uses of peace ... when the newest developments of modern science, in radio, phonographs, television, refrigeration and air conditioning will be yours under the famous Philo name.

Tune in to the premiere performance next Sunday...hear this week's top hits of the show world as judged and selected by Variety.

BLUE NETWORK
6 to 7 P.M. EASTERN WAR TIME

PHILCO CORPORATION

THANKSGIVING SHOW asit Robert Young, George Burm, Gracle Allen, Edgar Hergen, JoseHurbi, Gilmy, Sinms, Ed Gardner, Jack Dougles, Frances Langford, Elste Janis, Alvino Rey, Jimmy, Newell, Damy, O'Neil, Susanna Foster, Alan Reed, Jackson Beck, Myron McCormick, Frank Lovejoy, John Thomas, Gameron Andrews, Swing Wing, Fled Phyers, Kent Carear Fytellio Orchivers Orch.

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AND HIS ALL GIRL ORCHESTRA

Working in Their First Paramount Picture

Personal Management 1440 Broadway, New York tion: William Morris Agey.

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NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES, SPOT. SALES, INC.

Leading local department

stores, always the smart-

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> 5000 WATTS-DAY AND NIGHT BASIC BLUE NETWORK STATION CROSLEY OWNED AND OPERATED

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show poetry reading.
There were four major commercials, two dramafized, plus a long closing plug, which Ken Carpenter handled in his familiar slick style. It was announced that Elgin will also sponsor a special two-hour Christmas broadcast this year, as last. Bob Hope, Jack Benny and Bing Croad, were mentioned as slated to Hope.

Sears News Package

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Seattle, Nov. 30.
KIRO, local CBS outlet, has sold local Scars-Roebuck a big package of news, with Sears now carrying an early morning news period at 6 a. m. for 15 minutes six times a water and a first times are the seat of the stimes are seat of the stimes are seat of the stimes are seated. week, and a five times weekly spot at 3:15 in the afternoon. Latter program features local news editor for housewife listeners.

METROPOLITAN AUDITIONS OF THE AIR! Cast: Milion Cross, Edward Johnson, Elizabeth Carron, John Brooks, Witer: Anna Erskhie Witer: Anna Erskhie Director: Tevis Huhn S Mins: Sun, 430 p. SHERWIN-WILLIAMS WIZ-BIRN (SW. 104)

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James L. Fly, chairman of the Federal Communications Commis-sion, took part in the 'Quiz Kids' (Miles-Alka Seltzer) broadcast on Sunday (28), 730 p.m., over the Blue. The program originated in Hollywood but Fly was cut in for a comple of minutes from Wash-ing.in.

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Marlon, O.—Bob Cross, music director and announcer at WMRN, has resigned to Join a Coast station, Dick Harvey, New York, and Watter A. Klozar, Cleveland, have joined the automoting staff, and Ted Chumpley the engineering staff. Glein ley the engineering staff. Glein Cassiday, of the sales staff, has re



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NBC Richmond, Va. NBC

Inside Stuff-Radio

NBC has distributed to radio editors copies of W. W. Chapin's new book, Seventy Thousand Miles of War, Chapin is on the network's con-

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Ray Henley substituted for Fulton Lewis, Jr., over Mutual Friday 126) and took Mr. Footer Jah. Son the Foot Co.'s news program on the Blue and the Mr. Footer Lewis was offered and Sunday Henley Son Co. Son

The latter also traveled by train.

A closed circuit broadcast via Mutual was beamed Monday '28) for Schenley Import Corp. and Dubonnet distributors to pop up their interest in the Xavier Cugat stanas, 'your Dubonnet Date, 'which shifts from the Blue to Mutual tonight (Wednesday) at 830. It involved a three-way pickup from New York, Chicago and Los Angeles. Schenley exces were heard from N. Y., Miller McClintock, web prexy, spoke from Chicago, and Cugat aid his splet from the Coast.

Announcer Les Tremayne has been awarded a new contract under which he will share billing with Bob Crosby on the Sunday night NBC Old Gold show. The program henceforth will be announced as 'Bob Crosby-Les Tremayne and Co.'

of WTUL, would seek the Democratic gubernatorial nomination in next May's Ohio primary elections was seen when his law parther, Morton Neipp, requested, nominating peti-tions from the Ohio Secretary of State's office in Columbus. It has been known that Reams has been contemplating the race next May.

Reams also is Collector of Internal Revenue in Toledo, and it is believed that a definite announcement of .his candidacy has been withheld be-cause of the Hatch Act, which pro-habits federal civil service employees

WHK-WCLE (Cleve.) Cold Shoulder Rival WJW on Its Bow-In

Cleveland, Nov. 30. boys, and advertising Cleveland, Nov. 30.
The radio boys and advertising men here are still talking of the cold shoulder Cleveland's newest station, WJW, got from WHK-WCLE. vest station,

When WJW went on the air (14).
WGAR and WTAM both gave the
new station a 15-minute sendoff;
WGAR by remote broadcast from
WJW's studio but with WGAR equipment, and WTAM came through with

ment, and WTAM came through with a program in its own studios.

Both stations, extended welcomes to Bill O'Neil, new owner, and Station Manager Ed Palen,

WGAR also paid for a six-column six-inch spread in each of the three daily papers welcoming the new station.

tion. from active participation in policible. WHK, which had been getting both Close friends of Reams' are of Mutual and Blue before WJW came up from Akron, surrendered its Blue programs to WJW and is now only Mutual. opinion he will submit his resigna-tion as income tax collector in the Toledo district after the first of the

Benson, WIL Prexy. Fined As Game Violator

Chicago Theatre of Air' Seeks Permanent Use Of 4.000-Seat Temple

STATION PREZ TO RUN
IN OHIO GOV. RACE

Todelo, Nov. 20.

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'WAC Time' Co-op Series

Fort Worth, Nov. 30.

Slim Margin of Radio School Grads Poses Problem on Future Talent

Joott's B'dcasts Will

Move to B'way House

All of the broadcasts which Raylaw mond Scott conducts on CIS for
el various stiff singers, will emanante
from the Capitol, N. Y., during
studio from which Major Bowes
Sunday morning broadcasts for CBs
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Top Educators at Chi's School Broadcast Conf.

Chicago, Nov. 30. Seventh annual meeting of the School Broadcast Conference was held in Chicago Nov. 28-29-30 with leading educators and radio public service directors from all over the country in attendance.

Highlights of the meeting were a panel discussion on the subject 'The Listener's Stake in American Radio,' talks on 'What Radio Should Mean to Do,' and 'Radio Propaganda and Foreign Broadcasting.'

Under a contrainve gonzonium of leading local firms, a series of a five-minute studio programs is being aired over KGKO. Monday three of a more developed branch. War Dept. Don Firancisco. Namy Corps.
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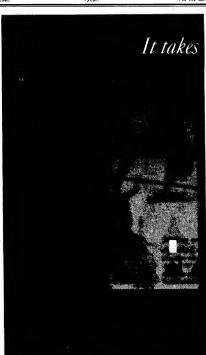
issuincers.

Started in 1934 with a single course in radio acting, the school was expanded in 1936 by Al Crews was expanded in 1936 by Al Crews when the result of the production department of MBC.

A half-hour radio show aired over will be supported by the school to provide practical experience for the cutulents.

Arch Gunnison, Wife, Jap Prisoners, Return Royal Arch Gunnison, Mutual Far

Royal Arch Gunnison, Mutual Far Eastern reporter who has been in-terned by the Japs, along with his wife, since the fall of Mamila, will be on the rescue-ship Gripsholm when she docks at an unnamed American port on or about Dec. 2. Gunnison remained in Manila while the Japs were laying siege to the city, and maintained continuous.



It takes IDEAS to make a network

... here's an IDEA that thrills thousands (IT COULD thrill a sponsor)

We had two ideas. Both good. We know they're good because we tested them. They worked. Maybe they're good for you.

Idea 1: Remember Raffles . . . that modem London counterpart of legendary Robin Hood . . . Raffles of short story fame, of books and movies? Probably. Most everyone does.

Raffles is a proved attraction. He's been interesting reading for years. Why not make him interesting to hear? Put him on the air, complete with montage of noises from London streets, docks, traffic, Big Ben and all . . . Do it so well that you can feel the fog. And get the right cast . . . skilled players from leading Hollywood radio productions. Play the stories against a background of espionage and sabotage in London's wardarkened streets.

We made it a half hour program. We tested it . . . and found that 23.1% of the available Pacific Coast listeners" were in the audience. Raffles again! Familiar Raffles, always new, always exciting.

Here comes Idea 2: Why not make Raffles a daytime strip? People read mystéries in

"That's ichal Heeper says.

the daytime, go to mystery movies. They would listen to a mystery story in the daytime, too, if the right one came along.

The right one came along. Raffles.

Now the program is a tested package, wrapped for delivery to some sponsor. Maybe it's for you

Raffles, like other Columbia Pacific p gram ideas, follows a formula . . . the Columbia Pacific formula: Take a good program idea; add top Hollywood talent, generous portions of CBS production know how and technical facilities; send the result out over the Columbia Pacific Network The formula works!

Ask us, or Radio Sales, to tell you more about the Raffles idea, and other Columbia Pacific programs available for sponsorship.



FCC May Probe NBC's Cancellation

Washington, Nov. 30.
House has approved an extra
\$50,000 for the special committee investigating FCC, which should carry when committee a long for another is a month to more at the present rate of expenditures. Rep. Clarence F. Lee, California Bennerat, who says Lee, California Bennerat, who says the committee of the clarent and the clarent and the clarent and the clarent and the clarent another to the clarent another to the clarent and the clarent and the committee of the clarent another than the committee of th the committee along for another six

ment departments."

There is an increasing Irend in the part of FCC, said Craven, to play a dominant part in communications of all Government agencies. He argued that the Board of, War Communications has further confused the picture.

fused the picture.
What apparently has irlied Craven
is the way FCC has swing its weight
in connection with the Interdepartment Radio Advisory Committee of
which Craven is now the chairman.
IRAC assigns frequencies to various
Government departments and agencies.

Government departments and agen-cies.
Craven recommended a law to cover scope of IRAC. which now-exists under a White House direc-tive. Craven also denounced the Supreme Court ruling in the net-vork regulations case, declaring, if strikes, and the court of the court of the court of the court of the court like ours. He said commercial re-He said commercial ra-statif, Latter include Mary Li do must be freed of fear of re-prissls from the Government. Haison between WAAT and I Chairman Lea indicated last week educational and club activities.

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Of ADA Program for Subsidy Talk

Washington, Nav. 30.

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Set Up Panels on Tele-Radio Study in Aim to Cure Headaches

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Craven Raps FCC Setup

Cities Danger to Free Speech Winding up testimony on behalf of the Newspaper-Radio Committee Last Wednesday (24), Whitney N. Seymour. New York attorney, argued that if FCC should proble) in newspaper ownership of broadcast stations, it would endanger free speech and freedom of the press. He commission would be find only beyond any existing power of the Commission would be find only beyond any existing power of the Commission but beyond any which

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between newspapers and radio.

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This argument is not based upon any rational conclusion that newspapers are not equally or more compared to the competency other groups or increase, should be granted radio licenses instead, in order to multiply increases instead, in order to multiply lie. The theory implies equally that the Government has a duty to choose among other classes who have presented to regulate the use of media of expression by all groups.

ent metnous of access to ne public and to regulate the time of media of a model and the regulate the time of media of the would apply just as much to publishers of books, pamphlets, or magazines, to churches, universities, motion picture companies, public speakers, or any other group or interest. Furthermore, the logical context. Publication of the theory is that one who is given a license for a radio station cannot thereafter acquire same other medium of reaching the public without losing his radio license and the longer process of the public without losing his radio license and the public without losing his radio license thereafter acquires an everysper or magazine, or publishes pamphlets, or is offered



KEEP UP WITH THE SHIFTING MARKETS WITH **RADIO**



and we give only straight news a pulpit, or acquires a motion picture theatre, or any other medium of ex-Cites Danger to Free Speech (Winding up testimony on behalt) of his radio license.

'If the Commission has this power, If the Commission has this power, there is no reason why some other agency may not be given authority directly over the press, regulating all of its activities. And such power cannot be lighted to the newspaper press, it can reach all publishers. Such an economic sanction as is now contemplated may be a far more serious restraint or penalty than a serious restraint or penalty than a direct tax or fine.

'These dangers, to which the mem-bers of the committee are fully alive, should be avoided, we submit, by an explicit prohibition in the statute.'

Mashy's Proposal
A plan for the handling of network
option time under the network regutations was suggested to the committee by Arthur Mosby of Missoulia,
Mont. operator of KCVO, CBS affiliate. Mosby suggested that networks
be optioned the first half-hour of
the first three-quarters of
each hour at night. Under his plan, he
said, net shows would compete with
each other and local shows would
likewise be direct competitors. Under the present with p Mosby conorder the present with p Mosby contime which coincides and frequently
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local programs.

Practicability of writing this into law was questioned by Senator Ernest W. McFarland, Arizona Democrat. Wheeler suggested, that it might go into the NAB Code, but Mosty pointed out that heither Mutual-nor Blue is a member of NAB.

Philco-'Variety

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the damapation, as well as on the radio.

From a showmanship viewpoint, the islent nominated by Variety and its board of editors and corresponding to the state of the state of

Also Philly 'Preem' Philadelphia, Nov. 30.

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Philoc dcallers will attend a 'premiere' of the Philoc-Variety' Radio I of Fame Vernotaces at the Warriage of the Philocovary of the Warriage of the Philocovary of the Philocovary

PHILCO'S 9-MO. NET \$455,000 OVER '42

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Sylvano Corp., consolidated set profit for the first init months ending last corp. The first init months ending last comparable period a year ago. Act consolidated net amounted to \$2,445,034 as compared with an adjusted net profit of \$1,988,200 in the first nine months of 1942. This is consolidated to the first nine months of 1942. This is consolidated to the first nine months of 1942. This is consolidated to the first nine months of 1942. This is consolidated to the first nine months of 1942. This is consolidated to the first nine months of 1942. This is consolidated to the first nine months of 1942. This is consolidated to the first nine months of 1942. This is consolidated to the first nine months of 1942. The first nine months of 1942 is nine months of 1942. The first nine months of 1942 is nine months of 1942. The first nine months of 1942 is nine months of 1942. The first nine months of 1942 is nine months of 1942 is nine months of 1942 in the first nine months of 1942 in the first

Des Moines. — Edmund Linehan, program director of KSO and KRNT7, has been selected by Drake University as instructor of the school's evening courself and the school selection of the selection o

Mich. Stations Hike Blue Affiliates to 174

The number of Blue network affiliates was upped to 174 Monday (29) with the addition of WDBC. Escanaba: WDMJ. Marquette, and WKBZ. Muskegon, as members of the Michigan web, which now includes 10 stations. All three new affiliates are 250-watters.

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Two of the new affiliates will be included in a sub-regional chain in Michigan's upper peninsula to be known as the Northern network. They are WDDE and WDMJ, which will work with WSOO, Saulf Stc. Marie, key station for the new group. Stanley R. Pratt, WSOO manager, will manage the Northern network.

OWI, Radio-Agency Execs in Chi **Meet on More Potent War Messages**

Domestie Radio Bureau has invited

icago, Nov. 30.
Chicago deputy office of the OWI omestic Radio Bureau has invited OWI plug at the end of the program.

Domestic Radio Bureau has invited to percentives of segencies, network officials, local station reps, and sponsors of big air shows to huddle here tomorrow (1) with the brass hats of OWI radio.

Patterned after a recent New York meeting, OWI will endeavor the meeting, OWI will endeavor the meeting, OWI will endeavor the program of the record closed circuit talk meeting, OWI will endeavor the program of the record closed circuit talk meeting.



WINS H. P. DAVIS AWARD!

In competition with America's leading announcers heard over NBC and its affiliated stations, Dick Keplinger was chosen winner of the 1943 H. P. Davis Memorial Award. Winner of this award is selected on basis of "personality, diction, voice, versatility, and maintenauce of consistently high standard in presentation of programs judged from transcriptions taken at random without knowledge of the announcer." It is with pride that we point to Mr. Keplinger's seven years with these stations as chief of our news bureau. His achievement is recognition of the high standard of performance and production which this organization earnestly endcavors to maintain. GOOD radio production is an actuality in growing, prosperous Seattle! Keplinger programs include daily newscasts for Rhodes Department Store, and 4-a-week "Stories of the Day" for Grove Laboratories.



SEATTLE . WASHINGTON

Grav-Howard Wow 60G, N. Y.; Osborne Fat 15G, Indpls., J. Dorsey 20G, Omaha

Jimny Dorsey, Omaha (Paramount) 3,000; 20.65;—Plus 'Swing Maiste' (M.-C) With Irbididay helping, sock \$20,000 or a bit over, is likely. Dorsey band, well liked here, is the real magnet for this business.

Ted Fio Rito, Boston (RKO-Bos-ton: 3,200; 44.99)—With 'Doughboy in Ireland' (Col.), and Ink Spots, oth-ers, on stage. Solid \$28,000 on stage

Glen Gray, New York -(Strand: 2.756; 35-\$1.10 :—With 'Northern Pur-sont' (WB), and Willie Howard, oth-ers, on stage Combination of Gray's hand Howard and Errol Flynn nicture pulling very oig \$60,000 or close on first week which invluded Thanks-giving day opening.

group day opening.

Mal Hailett, Newark (Adams; 1950; 35-90 -- With This Is Washing-ton (RKO), and Jane Withers, others, on stage. First-rate \$19,000, but being mostly between band and Miss

Withers.
Woods Herman, New York (Para-pount: 3.664, 35.81.40 (—With 'I Dood If' (A)4-Gr and Martion Hutton, others, in person. For final (3d) week of picture, ended last night (Tuesday) very good \$00.000. Herman band

very 200d \$80,000. Hernam band and Miss Hutton remain-rower with. No Time for Love (Par) which. No Time for Love (Par) which posts today Wednesdays. (Simbous today Wednesdays. (Simbous 200d) \$254-With Hotstage: Hernam Anderson State Later are two poperatie singers with rador type on some to get modes! \$20,000. with time lated small hots. Philadeliphy land Ray Hutton. Philadeliphy land Ray Hutton. Philadeliphy land for the late of the

low expectations.

Johnny Long, Louisville (National;
2,400; 40-651—Plus 'Prairie Chiekens'
(UA.) Stoul 15,5000, almost entirely
on Long combo's appeal,
Will Osborne, Indianapolis (Circle;
2,800; 30-53)—With Always Bridesmaid' (U.), and acts. Picture is helpling draw, but band sells viscif for
nec \$15,000. First time for Osborne

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lightly-regarded Mac West musical for sock \$40,000 or near. Frankle Masters, Los Angeles 17 pheum: 2.200, 45.75.—With Find date after 10 weeks at Bilmore Bowl. Disappointing \$17.500. Phil Spitality, Clicago (Chicquo: 4,000; 59.85.—Phis True to Life (Tar) 12d web, Great 184,000, mainly

(Par) (2d wk). Great \$45,000, mainly bon band's appeal.

Tommy Turker, Providence (Metapopitans: 3,200; 36:59 t—With 'Mr. Migges Steps' (Mona). Snappy \$10,200 for 4-day holicy weeked, with Turker taking the bows.

4,200; 53-851—With 'Turzyn's Desert Myster's (Rick), and Bonian Baker, on stage. And the shape of the stage of the shape of the s

help from film.
Lawrence Welk, New York (4.820;
35-\$1.10—With 'Sahara' (Col) plus
Edwards' quiz novelty. Truth or Consequences' on stage. Currently
in third and fial week here, looking
better than \$55.000, very good.

Toscanini Cancels P.A.s

Cleveland, Nov. 30.

Depressed by conditions in Italy and not in the best of health, Arturo Toscanini has cancelled his plans to appear as guest conductor of the Cleveland Orchestra, Dec. 16 and 18. Already hundreds of tickets have been refunded.

As a substitute Dorothy Maynor will be the soloist with Eric Leins-dorf conducting.

'Dixieland' Decca Discs

rad Gowans, who set the deal h S. Hurok bringing the Original rad Gowans, who set the deal pixels S. Horok bringing the Original Dixieland band into the Katherine Dunbam Revue, signed with Milt Gabler of Decca to make 10 sides at an all-night session Friday (3). Tunes lined up for waxing include Lazy Daddy, Muskrat Ramble. Barnyard Blues. Sensation and other olders made amous when the

and 'UJ, and acts. Picture is helping draw, but hand sells instell of and-was in its heyday years ago.

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8TH on West Coast Regional Sales

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On the Upbeat

tunes rankner's orchestra signed by Charles R. Rogers for United Artists picture. 'Song of the Open Road.' Chuck Faulkner's orchestra signed

Thomas G. Ruckwell, president o ieneral Amusement Corp., is leav-ing for the Coast Dec. 9 on his usual semi-annual business-pleasure jaunt

Traininy Young, trombone player the will debut a new small combot his own, has been admitted to the constant of the constant o tour weeks at Kalamazoo, Mich.

Bill Bardo band goes into

George Duffy orch has been booked into Vague Terrace, Pitts-burgh, for two weeks beginning Dec-ti. He follows Bob String. Duffy in turn will be replaced Christmas week by Art Kassel.

Tiny Wolfe, who has been with Blue Barron's band for last several seasons, has quit the outhit with Baron's induction into the Army, and has already been signed up to co-star with Jeanie Baxter on threetimes weekly song-and-chatte times weekly song-and-chatter pri-gram for a beer sponsor on KDKA, Pittsburgh: On this show he re-places Buzz Aston, who has been in-ducted and leaves for the Army this

Navier Cagat making arrangements for post-war tour of South and Cen-tral American republics with 50-piece band and prominent Spanish-speaking entertainers.

Bob Chester howed out of a file Bob Chester howed out of a film role in the Walter Colmes produc-tion, 'Trocadero,' me to prior com-mitments for his and on a tour of Northern California.

Bands at Hotel

Marty Seramas' 4 Kings and a Queen, an Indeel Heart's Sifter Grill, charge business being done by nome bands in various. New York hotels, band the uptim picked up for two more of the process of the

d		Weeks	Past	Covers
ď	Band Hotel	Played	Week	On Bate
	Ray Heatherton Biltmore (400; \$1-\$1.50)	. 24	-1.175	33,775
11	Lani McIntire* Lexington (300: 75c-\$1.50)	. 94	1,900	169,350
	Benny Goodman. New Yorker (400: \$1-\$1.50)		2.500	19,175
	Tommy DorseyPennsylvania (500; \$1-\$1.50)		3.200	26,375
t	Leo Reisman Waldorf (550; \$1-\$2)	. 8	3.000	25.925
	Count Basic Lincoln (275; \$1-\$1.50)		1,550	4,600
ıl	Guy Lombardo Roosevelt (400; \$1-\$1.50)	. 8	2,200	19.250
ι.	Enric Madriguera Commodore (400; \$1-\$1.50)		1,425	3,825
	Abe Lyman Essex House (300: \$1-\$1.50)	. 1	1.000	1,550

Griff Williams (Empire oom. Palmer House; 750; \$3-\$3.50 min.), In-

Grif Williams (Runsine own Palmer House; 739; \$3.\$3.50 min.). Incidenty Thankserving Day nutrinee and evening bix room chalked up sensational 12,000.

Jimmy Joy (New Walmit Room, Bismarck holet; 465; \$13.09.250 min.).

Final four days of Art Kassel and three days of Jimmy Joy kept ligure around fine 5,000.

Charlie Spirak: 19anher Room, Sherman holet; \$90; \$15.09.520 min.).

Spirak: a ball of fire liver, responsible for smash 8,300; on min.).

Vell Bondshit (May fair Room, lickshore holet; 400; \$3.500 min.).

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Kidde Oliver, dafrine Boun, Edgewater Beach holet; 1,100; 30c and 73c.

cover charge plus \$125 min.). Oliver proving excellent draw with another big \$3.00.

Los Angeles

Freddy Martin (Ambassador: 900: S1-81.50). Skimme chich is norm and nifty in the Martin groove, Joe Relehman (Bittmore: 900: \$1-\$1.50). Well li-tart, Just under 4.000 tabs.

Location Jobs. Not in Hotels

(Los Angeles)
(Los Brown (Paliadium B. Hullywood, sixth week). Proved a big surprise and trailed off with sound 24,500 count. Teddy Powell came in tonight and trailed off with s (Tues.) for six weeks.

and trailed off with sound association. Crucks for its works. Both Chester (Franco bulletin) and the works. Both Chester (Franco bulletin) and the works. Sound bulletin and the works of t

Lon Breese (Chez Parce: 650: \$3-\$3.50 min.), Gertrude . onlinue to jam the place to capacity; 5,800 once more.

Det Courtney (Blackhawk; 500; \$1,250 mm.). Courtney's popularity eeping figure up around very good 5,500.

Earl Hines, Dec 10, Bayahorto Parvillon, Hamphon, N. C. 20, week Two-Spot Club, Jacksonville, Two Club, Jacksonville, Two Spot Club, Jacksonville, Dec 18 villon, Martin M

Georgie Auth. Dec. 7-19, Tune. Inform Ballroom, St. Louis; 28, week York Lowev's State theatre, New York Lowev's State theatre, New York Asaghan Mennae, Dec. 13-18, Pt.— Read Park Ballroom, Weslport, Mass; 24, 19, State libeatre. Hauttord: 23, Poli Inteatre. Waterbury, Conn. Duke Ellimeton, Dec. 9, Palomar B, Norfolk, V.2, 10, Convention Handle, Area, Washington, D. C.; 31, week, Philadelphia; 11, Carnegie Hall, N, bon B, N, Y.; Jan, 9, four weeks, Y.; 12, Symphony Hall, Boston, 13, Tre-Tee Club, Boston.





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Inside Stuff-Orchestras

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Warner Brox. executives have written N. . local 802 of the AFM to complain about the conduct of Sam Davis, ex-base player with Sinep Fields, who was ejected from the WB Strand, N. V. on the last day of Fields siny there last week. Davis created a disturbance on stage during the singer show and Fields firely him immediately it was completed. He wouldn't leave the theater and cops were called to force him out. Band William Strand Cops were called to force him out. Band William Strand Strand Cops were called to force him out. Band William Strand Strand

Warners at first was going to prefer formal charges against the musician, but thought better of it. Under the circumstances a leader can fire a musician without notice, which was Fields' cours.

March of Time's forthcoming short on the music business will devote a good portion of its running time to the disc controversy. M. O. T. lenser-have taken several shots of AFM president Petrillo presiding over board mechings, including one taken in Newark Monday (29) at a confab there juning of the AFM-Decca agreement was reconstructed for the camera.

Short will also include shots taken at the Chicago convention of 1942, during the early part of which Peirillo announced the record ban to become effective the following Aug. 1. These recis were taken for the AFM

Leaders May Fortify Disc Quality **By Spot-Booking Standout Tooters**

Rogers Ditches Band: Will Now Do Solo Act Dick Rogers dishanded his orches. tra last week and henceforth will be

booked as single by General Amuse-

ment Corp. Rogers gave up his

big band (15) for the same reason

While there has been only one ore two occurrences thus far, many leaders, once the dise situation is fully settled, are satisfaptive that fully settled, are satisfaptive that their bands on the catest only. With performance standards of most bands constantly shifting due to freman the catest only shifting the satisfactory of the catest only shifting the satisfactory of the catestone of the cate that many others have been broken up lately—extreme difficulty of re-placing men and transportation trou-bles.

performance.

Some leaders don't think much of the idea, however, asserting that hough: a certain section may be work the condition can't always be went the condition can't always be wreated by bein ing in a musician who has never worked with the rest of the neme in that outfl and work of the condition of the c

very advantageous.

Most recent leader to use a standmost recent teader to use a standard unuscian as a replacement during a record session is Woody Herman. He brought in Ben Webster to take Vido Musso's tenor chair at Decca recently. Musso retired to a war plant a while back:

Norvo, Carol Bruce Now Off Coca-Cola Payroll

Uff Coca-Cola Payroll
Red Norvo's orchestra and Carol
Ruse finally dropped off the CocaCola payroll last week (Wednesdy
after completing a series of shortsubjects for screening overseas.
Norvo and Miss Bruce, and seven
muscians, were being paid by the
bettling company for weeks to
the state of the company for the company
season to entertain. Idea never came
off due to USO-Camp Shows' objections to commercialized entertain
ment offshore.
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Cavallero Going Sweet

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Ar Trace's novelty orchestra will recorded today (Wednesday) by lassic Records for its Hit label.

Dexter's Pneumonia

Hartford, Nov. 30. Al Pistol Packin' Mama') Dexter Al 'Pistol Packin' Mama') Dexter is in St. Francis hospital with pneu-monia. He was stricken after open-ing at the State Thursday '25' with high fever. Rest of gang two of whom also contracted colds in Boston, laid off remainder of holiday

Boston, Isid off remainder of holiday weekend engagement,
Mishap was second for State within a month. Three weeks ago Mills
Bros. cancelled out at last minute.
Dester is due to open at the
Capitol theatire, N. Y., Friday 13)
and GAC, his booking office, understangt he will open on schedule.

Chesterfield Pressing James to Build Un Crosslev Via Personals

Chesterfield is putting pressure on Harry James to sidetrack his strong liking for locatin liking for locatin the Coast and confining his activities to film-making and thrice-weekly brondcusts for the eigste company. This is denied confirmed by other sources, Chercheld feels that James is not present the confirmed by other sources. Chercheld feels that James is not present the confirmed by making so few personals upon the confirmed by making so few personals on the confirmed by making so the professor as reidence of that. While James' radio program once had a Ib varing, it now has a 1-ter.

James, never got as high as the latterms has bing i ident a mean to be much heating and the state work. He cancelled a string of such dates earlier this year after a stay at the Paramount, N. Y. Howweeks, has an eight-week contract to fulfill at the Actor hotel, N. Y. which was deferred from last fall by and is add to ove Frank Dailey a couple of weeks. All these commission was a comment of the property of

spring, if he doesn't go in to the Army.

James takes a physical in Holly-wood, Dec. 15, where his case was transferred from Beaumont, Tex., his home draft board.

Jack Teagarden has resumed part-time work on the Coast after being ill and out of action for several months. The leader has been con-fining himself to two or three one-nighters a week. bjes...
Rogers will, start his act next week
at Enduro's Restaurant, Brooklyn;
working with a small combination tobreak in material. Thereafter he will
cuttime, solo. Before becoming a
leader; Rogers was with Will Osborne's band as a comedy singer; in
fact, he took over the outfit he-broke
up from Osborne, who at that time
temorarily retired.

Benny Goodman returned to the stand at the New Yorker hotel, N. Y., Saturday (27) after five nights' absence due to intestinal flu.

Frolics, Miami, Offers T. Dorsey Record Location Salary, \$10,000

Carle Recruiting Band, Dickering Disc Deal

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week.

Carle, former pianist with Horace
Beidt, is now on the eoist making
preparations to put the new band in
rehearsal immediately after the first
of the year. He has had airvanger Al
Avola writing material for the past
six weeks or so and is said to be now
in the process of gathering meh.

Washington, D. She told Judge Sabath in Superior Court that Brady descrited her ec. 55, 1935; a year after they were married. The just packed his clothes and left, I haven't seen him since, she testified.

concert in Carnegie Hall, N. . If tentative jell. Joe Glaser, Armstrong's manager, and Ernie An-

Advision promoter of last season's Town Hall Jazz concerts who also entrepreneured Fats Waller's Carnegie Hall appearance, have been huddling on the date; program supporting talent, etc.

porting talent, etc.

As outlined in preliminary stages,
concert will be built around Armstrong as trumpet and vocal solois
with his own orchestra, the Golden
Gate quartet, or a similar vocal
group, and a collection of outstanding Negro and white instrumentalists
to work with him in various combinations.

Tommy Dorsey two-week stay at the Frolics Clu

For a location job this offer is probably without precedent. Yet Dorsey, who has little time open and apparently isn't particularly interin going south, countered with

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T. Dorsey Still Torn Between Two B'way Houses on '44 Dates

Tommy Dor. roubles in connection with commitments to both the Paramount and Capitol theatres, N. Y., during 1944 capitol theares, N. r. during 1944 still have not been settled. Leader owes both houses dates next year, but the agreement with the Cap calls for his playing there and nowhere else during that period.

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The Capitol agreement carries a clause that gives the leader the right to complete his obligation to the Par in December, 1943, but doesn't allow for any other commitments Dorsey may have in N. Y.

Dorsey has never played any other Broadway house but the Para-mount. He opens at the Pa Dec.

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10 Best Sellers on Coin-Machines

(Records helow are grabbing most nickels this week in jukyboxes throughout the country as reported by operators to Varrely. Nonres of more than one band or woodlast after the little indicates, in order of popularity, whose recordings are being played. Figures and names in pareathesis indicate the number of viceks each soup has been in the listings.

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Inside Stuff-Music

Chicago song plugger caught adding phony plugs in list made up by a local monitor service was-fixed \$300 by the Publishers Contact Union last week. Routine was that the plugger would have a ground the lobby of the publishers building until the messenger from the monitors' office arrived. Plugger would talk the youngster into letting thin take the sheets into one of the offices in the building where he would type in-a disek of imaginary plugge that were never aired.

Spacial transcription to be used over the pa. system at the fact & Heinki war plant at Coverland was made at World Broadcasting in N. Y. last week. Consisted of a specially-written march and various announcements etc. Sammy Walkins, Cleveland bandleader, came cast to direct the music. Band was gathered and rehearsed in a special arrangement by Harry Somik, Deces conductors.



USO-Camp Shows

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years.
No funded debt confronts 20th Fax at present though subside of Na-tional have approximately \$4,600,000 indebtedness outstanding at present.

Miss America, '43 = Continued from page 1 =

the boys in a bathin

What for?' she asks prettily. 'I'm not going in swimming. And the boys are caught with their

flashpans down and not a comeback in carshot

You see. the Mis You see, the Miss America for 1984 is supposed to be a typical modern American girl. Miss Barlel will explain as the men of the press struggle to regain their collective wast picked for my figure. (But it aint bad, Sister) It was thosen for a combination of the modern of the modern

She says it all straight, too, and danged if it doesn't sound like she

'Girls of 1943 aren't interested in just being pretty girls. They want to be useful as well as attractive.'

Lever ros. Pitch

So, with Lever Bros. footing the
bills. Miss Bartel is hopping about
the land, plugging for Wor Bonds,
appearing at service camps for the
men in uniform, and just incidentally

they recover from it.

What's more, she possesses a right what's more, she possesses a right-nice singing voice, which is unlim-bered whenever she visits Army camps or Naval bases. Usually, her own special orchestrations of Night

NBC, CBS, Blue, Mutual Plugs

Following list of the most played popular tunes on the neutron's given the weeks, beginning Monday and through Sunday, Nov. 22-28 Jones pun to I aim, is divided into two sections. The first section represents the first approximately 25 leaders in alphabetical order (in some cases there the section of the

As detailed, the first 25 in alphabetical order is a trade more to earb artificial stimulation of plugs, via the 'payola,' i.e., brihery or other gratui-ties. It's thus figured the competition with be healther and cleaver.

TITLE	PUBLISHE
Besame Mucho	Meludelana
Candlelight and Wine-! round the World'	Millor
Don't Believe Everythin ream- ['Around World'	
For First Time	Shaore
Home	A 'A
How Swort You Are-t Thank Lucky tars'	Remielz
I'll Be Home For Christmas	Morris
I've Had This Feeling Before—" usiness'	Santty
Little Did I Know	Littenla
My Heart Tells Mc-+ Rosie O'Grady'	BVC
My Ideal	Paramount
My Shining Hour-+'Sky's the Limit'	Morris
No Love No Nothin'-i Gang's All Here'	Triangle.
Oh, What a Beautiful Morning-"Oklahoma"	Crawford
Paper Dall	Marks
People Will Say We're In Love-"Oklahoma"	Crawford
Put Your Arms Around Me-t'Coney Island'	Broadway
Say a Prayer for Boys Over There-t'Hers to Hold	Southern
Shoo Shoo Baby-Three Cheers For Boys'	Leeds
Speak Low- ne Touch of Venus'	Chapnell
Star Fyes—†I Dood It	Feist
Surrey With Fringe on Top- Oklahoma'	
The Dreamer- "Thank Lucky Stars"	
They're Either Too Young Too Old-f' ucky Stars	Witmar
When They Ask About You	Berlin
White Christmas-PHoliday Inn	Berlin
MOST PLAYED AFTER FIRST 25	

MOST PLAYED AFTER FIRST 2	5
My irst Love	Dorsey
Pistoi Packin' Mama	Morris
Sunday, Monday or Always-t'Dixie'	
Thank Your Lucky Stars- Thank Lucky Stars'	Remick
Things That Mean So Much	BAIL
Do Nothing Till You Hear From Me	Robbins
I Dug a Ditch-† Thousands Cheer	Meist
Is My Buby Blue Tonight	Broadway
By the River of Roses	Shapiro
Do You Know	
Don't Sweethcart Me	
Have I Stayed Away Too Long"	
In a Friendly Little Harbor	Campbell
Sameone to Love	Block
Victory Polks	Channell
Victory Polka	Melrase
Close to You	Barton
Oklahoma—*:Oklahoma*	Crawfor
One For My Baby-i Sky's the Limit	Murris
Sweet Rosic O'Grady-1'Sweet Rosic O'Grady'	
If You Please—+ Dixie	Famous
Old Acquaintance—f'Old Acquaintance'	Witmark
Time on My Hands	Mitter
What Do You Do In the Infantry	Saunders

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Glenn Rose cleffed 'Old Man Riveter,' war industry arody, the Yacht Club Boys.

If It's in TUNE-DEX

It's An Important Tune! JAN RUBINI

VIOLINIST AND CONDUCTOR New Playing Orphe

It Can't Miss! Film audiences are already raving about this great song from KAY KYSER'S latest musical picture AROUND THE WORLD

Don't Believe Everything You Dream

Lyrics by HAROLD ADAMSON

Music by JIMMY McHUGH

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Nets Cutting Down on Band Remotes In Face of Petrillo's Strike Threat

Though they seemingly have nothing more than rumors on which to base conclusions, the broadcasing companies expect AFM head James C. Petillo to call a strike after the first of the year of the year of the period of the year of the period of the year of y

As a result of the remote restrictions, band broadcast time is now at a premium. No new periods are being distributed and the only way a bandleader can hope to get on the air from a location is to move into a spot from which his predecessor had a wire. Even that's not always a guarantee.

Remote condition, if it continues to grow worse, may effect booking of bands in N. Y. spots, most of which are financial loss dates.

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NBC hasn't used orchestra remotes for some time. CBS and the Blue have, but cache have been been to be a considered to the construction of the construction of

number of Mutual shots. Mutuals methods of picking up remotes are disliked by most leaders, but they continue to take them because there's nothing else available. Few full half-hour periods are allotted by Mutual there was one in-bundeast by Ted Lewis') in an endeuvor to carry as muny bands as possible.

Mack Gordon and James Monneo collaborating on the score for 'Kit-ten On the Keys,' 20th-Fox musical to be produced by George Jessel.

British Best Sheet Sellers

(Week Ending Nov. 5, 1943)
London, Nov., 6.
Wing and Prayer F-D-H
Silver Wings
Never KnowChappell
Blue of Evening C. C.
If You Please Victoria
My Blue Eyes, Southern
Some Day Mect Again. Chappell
Sunday, Monday Victoria
In My ArmsFeldman
If I Had My Way:
Ruby Lips
Put Army Around Me F.D.H .

Music Notes

Mack Gordon and Jumes Monace writing ditties for 'Moment For Music' at 20th-Fox.

Sammy Cahn and Jule Styne are cleffing numbers for the next Kay Kyser starrer, still untitled, to be produced by Sam Bischoff at Colum-bia.

Frank Skinner and Irving Bibo cleffed title song for Gung Ho at Universal.

Miklos Rozsa composing the score for 'At Night We Dream' at Colum-bia.

Irving Mills publishing the score of Columbia's Mae West-er, 'The Heat's On.'

Webb writing background for Dangerous Journey at

Harold Adamson and Jimmy McHugh collaborating on ditties for 'Bring On the Girls' at Paramount.

Lester Garson sold two comedy songs to Ken Murray for use in Blackouts, vaude revue in Holly-

From Strings to Bodies

Philadelphia, Nov. 30.

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Dr. Israel A. Sickerka resigned as first violinist in the Philadelphia Orchestra to devote his full time as an ostopath, a profession he studied while playing, in the orchestra. Dr. Sickerka saud that he took the typ because of a critical shortage of physicians in this area. It is said the type of the property of the property of the property of the physicians in this area. It is said the property of the physicians in this area. It is also become the property of the p

Larry Hart's Estate Goes Mostly to Bro. Teddy, Friend Kron

Bulk of estate left by Lorenz Har't nowwiter who died of pneumonia in N. Y. last week, goes to his brother, Theodore (Teddy) Hart, current in 'One Touch of Venus,' Imperial m One fouch of venus; imperial, N.Y., and William H. Kron, a friend. Will, dated June 17 of this year, was filed Monday (29) in the Surrogate's court, N. Y. Amount of estate was not made public.

not made public.

Hart named Kron and his collaborator. Richard Rodgers, as executors for the control of the co

Hart Services on Coast .

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Hollywood. Nov., 30.

Memorial services for Lorenz
Hart at Temple Isracl Friday (26)
drew around 100 mourners, mostly
songwriters. Rabbi Max Nussbaum read the eulogy and a cantor intoned the Hobrew chant.

Only music was organ rendition of Hart's outstanding songs, played be-fore the service.

Pluggers' Prexy Warns Bribery Rife Again; Threatens Punishment

15 Best Song Sellers

hding Nor. 27)

Paper Dollalarks
Pistol Packin' MamaMayfair
White Christmas erlm
Either Too Young Witmark
Beautiful Morning Crawford
Sun., Mon. or Always Mayfair
Victory Polka
People Will Say Crawford
Say a Prayer Southern
lleart Tells McBVC
Be Home for Xmas Mclrose
Put Your Arms, Honey B way
How Sweet You Are Remick
For First TimeShapiro
If You Please Famous

ASCAP'S L. A. CONCERTS FOR OVERSEAS RECORDS

Los Angeles, Nov. Dual sponsorship by ASCAP and L. A. Times of two concerts in Shrine auditorium Jan. 29-30 to raise funds for Overseas Master Records, Inc., has been arranged by Robert L. Murray, public relations head of the Society. Alfred Wallenstein conducts

both musicals, one devoted to the classics and other more in the popular vein. Hollywood Canten will be cut in for 25% of the proceeds, with remainder of the receipts to be used for buying records to be shipped to the armed forces overseas.

Concerts are to be similar to that presented in Carnegie Hall. New York, for Master Records, and also orate ASCAP's 30th Anni-

Jule Styne and Sammy Cahn cleffed When You Love, 'You Never Know Where You're Going,' There Goes That Song Again' and the title song for 'Cinderella Jones' at Warn-

elected president of the Contact Men's Association, pupped the payela question again to members of the union Monday night (29) in meetin at the Abbey hotel, N. Y. O'Connor, warned that the bribery problem is again getting out of hand, that he is aware of who is guilty, and that if the practice doesn't stop the uni will again take steps to co trend

Irend. Numerous other items of varied import were covered. Among, there was discussion of respective eilors of pluggers and counter boys. Complaints have been received by the union ire the use of \$20 minimum counter boys to plug songes. It is felt counter boys to plug songes. It is felt in one or the other category. Contact men draw a minimum of \$35 weekly for such work. Union also decided that the \$10 to

Union also decided that the \$10 to which publishers were restricted last year for Christmas presents for bandleaders, etc., was not enough. Accordingly, the union has raised the maximum that can be spent on individual gifts to \$20.

Toots Camarata, Out Of Army, to Join Decca

Toots Camarata, arranger, joins Decca Records Monday (6) as a recording director for both Decca and World Broadcasting Co., transcription affiliate. Camarata was released from the Army Air Forces about three weeks ago on a medical discharge. charge.

For years with Jimmy Dorsey's or-chestra, Camarata was arranging for Glen Gray before going into service. His deal with Decca was signed be-fore going into service, but that fact was generally unknown.

Harry Sosnik, longtime Decca staff maestro, is also back, now that recording is active again.

We have just acquired from Regent Music Corp. a ballad which we believe will be



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Night Club Reviews

Action merchal that's the word. To the present-day shaw biz they know the current craze—swoming—as the pivot behind a click 'novelly treat, Novelly is what they call it, but actually it's nothing more marked to the current craze—swoming and the pivot behind a click 'novelly treat, Novelly is what they call it, but actually it's nothing more actually it's nothing more properties a quarter-century aga by Benny Fields. Only then they called. it

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too.

The twirl of that bamboo stick the snap of the fingers, the rakish NOW EXTERTAINING THE BOYS IN SCOTLAND

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B'way's Newest Dance Directo



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lun.
And they once said Benny Fields was washed up.
Kahn.

Empire Room. Chi

Dean Murphy, Lathrop & Lee, Walton & O'Rourbe, Leon Foline, Rina Schriere, Mari Lynn, Rina Ochi-nian, Griff Williams Owh (12), Mer-riel Abbat, Doucers (12), minimum \$3-\$3.50.

Headed by Dean Murphy the 'Holi-day cyue' is solid entertainment for the most part. Current show marks the swan song of Griff Williams, whose orch has broken many records here. Williams leaves at the conclu-sion of this show on Jan. 13 for a theatre tour an then the armed forces.

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ing servicemen.

Dean Murphy wows 'em in closing spot with his clever impressions. These include Wendell Willkie, Charlie McCarthy, Mortimer Suerd, Clark Gable, Douald Colman, and when others including

Suerd. Clark Gable. Donald Colman, and many others including his Roosevelt gems and a caricature of Hildegarde. Clever material abetted by smooth and expert delivery makes him the hit of the show. Ruth Schriver contribs a bright acro spesh. Griff Williams' pianology also below. Williams' muste, of course, is tops.

Biltmore Bowl. L. A. (BILTMORE HOTEL)

Los Angeles, Nov. 24.

Joe Reichman (14) with Harris &
Shore. Dave Barry, Lindsay, Laverne
& Betty, Penny Lee: cover, \$1.50
Saturday, \$1 other nights.

Saterday, \$1 other sights.

To Faber's towel is spilling over with holiday cheer, stirred to a development of the same state of the same s

remain as a market proper in substraines, grouts.

This spot is a natural for Reichaud with a positive urge to philimber the inchers. No youngster himself, incher the feet of the province and the proper the proper the proper than the prop

more like a house party than a night in a boil.

Best of the floor acts is the satirical dance duo of Norman Harris and Sylvia Shore. They've been around before in their 10 years of teaming but still show stoppers. Their routless are grotesque, bizarie and hokey but it's how's they're after and how's they get. They're

all over the foot and work like dervisites through a pouring sweat. The gait is a physical counterpart of a voical Crarele Affen. Fast on the doct which we have a considerable and the same arrandia. The doct tricks with its voice that run the gamat Laverny & Betty Inmitte, whird and pain for a fix turn in array precision. Laverny & Betty Inmitte, whird and pain for a fix turn in array precision, a polytopic of the physical properties of a loaby blite glow. The properties of a loaby blite glow. It is a new named Joe wholl keep the Book as gay and testive as others around the amount of the property and the support of the property of the support of the property of

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Minnesota Terrace

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Minneapolis, Nov. 27.
Percy Martin Orch (12), Schaa
Marlowe Dunrees (6), Byron Kny &
Lonise Glenn, Kurtis Martonettes
(2), \$1.50-\$3.50 min.

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Room jammed to capacity and many holdouts and turnaways.

Latin Quarter, Boston

Boston, Nov. 25.

Anthony Brano Orch. (10). Freddie & Dogs, Wuters Sis. (3). Bitt Gary, Catgary Bros. (2): Lain Quar-ter Gris. (16): \$2 minimum; Satur-dogs. \$3.

Mickey Redslone's Latin Quarter of blocks away to hold the fort in the Hub so far as glamour, ulteries are concerned. The Quarter alone has big-time decor, the result of a complete re-styling in a sort of pastel Empire motif following the strict ban on hangings, drapes, etc., after the Grove disaster. And it's the place for big spenders and impact of the process of the place for big spenders and impact of the place for big spenders and interest of the place for big spenders and impact of the place for big spenders and impact of the place for big spenders and interest of the place for big spenders and interest of the place for big spenders and interest of the place for t of blocks away) to hold the fort in

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Anderson: of Chicago: Ella Perry
and Pat Bogers of Warcester, Mass.;
Joe Laurie, Jr., Watter Winchell and
Bobby Graham of Toronto, Canada,
for their timely greetings to this col-

Write to those who are ill

LEONARD ROMM JOINS MORRIS AGCY. IN N. Y.

Leonard Romm joined the William department Morris Romm severed con Mon nections several weeks ago with his brother, Harry, teneral Amus ment Corp. That association had endured 21 years.

dured 21 years.

Milton Berger, formerly aide to Harry Levine at Paramuuni, moved over to GAC, while Mickey Aldrich muyed into Berger's old sput from the Eddie Sherman office. Phil Coscia took the latter job, giving up his indie agency. Sherman, in N. Y. his indic agency. Sherman, in N. Y for several days, returned to the Coast Monday (29).

Gayety, Montreal, Upsets Obscenity Conviction Montreal, Nov. 30.

Gayely theatre's exception to a recent conviction condemning the vaude house to pay \$50 and costs for staging 'an immoral, indecent or ob-scene entertainment or presentation,' has been upheld by Justice Wilfrid Lazure.

Lazure.

Court ruled that the 'Spin a Web of Dreams' and 'Dancing Builterfiles.' seenes of a May 1942, program at the Gayety, were artistic tableaux acording to the evidence produced. The judge rendered, a Jidgment which in substance specified that changed times are accompanied by changed standards of morator.

Injury Forces Hoctor Out Of N. Y. Loew's Booking

Harriel Hoctor, scheduled to open at Loew's State. N. Y. lomorrow (Thursday), has been forced to can-cel because of an injury to her back. Miss Hoctor is being replaced by Patricia Bowman.

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Arnold Joins 'Vanities'

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Ja Arnold, tenor and emec,
joined Earl Carfol's Vanities Friday (29) for the start of the unite
meagement this week at the RKO
Albee. He releves Barney Grant.
The Workmans 21. novelty mustthe Workmans 21. novelty mustbe the Workman St. novelty mustbe the Workman St. novelty mustday. The act's time stretched the
show far beyond its allotted 60 minties.

Chi Cafe Bombing Fells 2 in Show

A homb blasted the 606 Club carly

Sunday morning (28), injuring 133 performers and almost catching panie, in the crowded cafe and far, Patrons were covered with along plaster, but half an hour after the explosion occurred business was going on as usual.

Louis Nathan, owner. Louis Nathan, owner, the no reason for the bombing, and if, thought it, was meant, for ancher tenant in the same building.

Police are investigating it, billy of labor trouble, rivalry tween unfatched operators rivalry involving the booking talent.

talent.

The two performers given emer-gency treatment were Dully Sterling, a singer, and Forenza Braze, stringer stripper.

Lamaze Loses Clover Club Los Angeles, Nov.

Los Angeles, Nev.

Clover Chib, recently opened by
Marcel Lamaze, was turned over to
Jack Rogers, nitery operator, who
paid off all the debls and ended Lo.
New owner announced that he
would change the spot's policy from
carriage to popular trade.



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READ OVER 6th WEEK Featured to "Yours For Foa" Music Box Theatre, Hollywood

Henie Ice Show \$204,800 in 11 Days At Mpls.; 'Icecapades' 192G in Pitt

Indianapolis, Nov. 30.
Sonja Henies 1944 Hollywood Ice
evice played to a smash attendance
of 125,000 paid admissions and a
gross estimated at \$204,800 in the 11day engagement closing here Sunday
2. "Wently thousand service men
to the standard of the st

were broken the last three nights of the engagement.

Sonja's Mother Sued

Mrs. Selma Henie, mother of Sonja Henie, and the Marott hotel, where the star was staying here during the run of her 1944 Hollywood Ice Revue, were named in a damage suit charging false arrest by an employe

of the hotel.
Mrs. Honie reported the loss of a Mrs. Henie reported the loss of a diamoud ring valued at \$3,000. The woman employe claimed that she was questioned by police and taken to headquarters, where she was subjected to lice-detector tests before release. - Mrs. Henie later found the ring under a bed in her suite, she said. Spokesman for Mrs. Henie demied that she had made any accu

'Icecanades' 192G In Pitt

ittsburgh, Nov. 30.
Tecapades' fell off to under \$50,000 for third and final week of en-600, for third and final week of en-gagement here at Garden. In first forthight show played to virtual ca-pacity but last performances were off considerably except on Thanker kiving, which was the windrup, when it bounced back to SRO again. However, with a total gross of around \$192,000, biggest take ever

around \$192,000, biggest take ever recorded here for any kind of attraction. In addition, management donated a capacity house to a KDKA 'ar Bond show, which, if included in the figures, would have sent Teccapacies' right up around the 200 grand mark.

LOST TEETH IN FIGHT. LOSES DAMAGE SUIT

Minneapolis, Nov. 30. Nick Haep, 53-year-old performer, has failed in his efforts to collect \$5,000 damages from Sever and Ernest Peterson, farmers, because he had his teeth knocked out in a tight and

his teeth knocked out in a tight and says he no longer can perform his night club act of lifting a table with he teeth. A district court jury, after hearing the evidence, decided cainst Haep.
Testimony was to the effect that hacp had trief to grash the Peter-lang had trief to grash the State of the State to their testimony

Babe Rhodes and his WCAE staff-band returned to Bill Green's Ca-sino, Pittsburgh, Friday 1261-for an-other four-week engagement, re-placing the Tummy Carlyn band.

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Washington, Nov. 30.

Washington, Nov. 30.
Morton Downey, playing at the Hotel Statler, silenced some noisy patrons. A ringside table of four particular and the singer or themselves. Suddenly Morton stopped, turned the singer or themselves and particular themselves and particular themselves and particular themselves and the singer of the state of his program, or the side of the state of his program, and the side of the state of his program, and the side of the state of the state

Sunbrock No Like Pittsburgh

Larry Sunbrock, the promoter doesn't care if he never sees Pitts burgh again, and the feeling's mu-tual. At the moment, Sunbrock whose Wild West Rodeo and Holly wood Thrill Show, which played here last week at the Hunt Armory, is contemplatin suit against the city for damages because he says, he signed a contract with the authorities in good faith' only to have it turn out to be just a piece of paper. It was the most notable of several incidents involving Sunbrock and the local municipality. is contemplatin suit against the

brock and the local municipality.
unbrock's beef came as a result of
his inability to put on two Sunday
128) performances as advertised.
Deal with city permitted him to
show on that date but several religious, leaders who head parishes
around the Huni Armory appealed
to Governor Martin of Pennsylvania. to Governor Martin of Pennsylvania, and he issued instructions to ban the show. Promoter appealed to local courts and three Common Pleas judges, sitting on banc, ruled that the chief executive has spoken and his word is final. Rodeo was permitted to open on the Sunday before 1211 torus rough profess which how. 121) over some protests which, however, were ruiced out at the last minute. Safety Director George E. A.
Fairley was over-ruided by Mayor
Scully when Sunbrock agreed to give
part of the receipts to charity and
after he had pointed out that the
Teccapides at nearby Gardens had
been permitted to run on Sundays. (21) over some protests which, how

Josephine Houston In

D. C. Theatre Booking Singer Josephine Houston plays her first theatre date in several years week of Dec. 16. She opens then at the Capitol theatre, Washington, No others booked yet.

Miss Houston is currently playing the Troika, capital intery.

'Swingtime Follies' In

Chicago, Nov. 30.
Mike Tahan has completed casting
his 'Swingtime Follies' and unit
opens Dec. 3 at the Broadway theatre, Charlotte, N. '... for a tour of

tre, Charlotte, N. '., for a jour of the Kemp time. Show has Earl Wright and his Dogs, Billy Farrell and Lucy Boots, Shirley and Lee, Dean and Brown, Patil Freedman, Jim McNally, cho-rus of six, and six-piece band di-rected by Exercit Johnson, who is also company managed.

Park Central, N. Y. Signs AGVA Pact

Marking completion of its first step in a campaign aimed at unionizing New York hotels booking floor shows, the American Guild of Variety Artists law week concluded nevity Artists law week concluded not be a constructed of the control plays the control

AGVA and the Park Central had long been at loggerheads over a clause in the drawn-up contract as to whether responsibility, should rest with the hotel proper or the manager and nittery under growing the result of the contract should remain in force whether or not BIII Robbins, manager of the room, continues at spot or not. On the other hand, the brould be strictly a Robbins-AGVA affair, but finally conceded to the united that the pact.

AGVA, according to Dave Fox, N.Y. local director, will now concentrate its activities on lining up the Commodore hotel and the Glass Hat mitery, the latter located in the Belmont Plaza hotel.

mont Plaza hotel.

AGVA last week pacied the Yacht
Club, \$2d street, N. Y., nitery, to a
minimum basic agreement. Pact provides for minimums of \$75 for principals and \$40 for chorus.

WB to Solve Sinatra Holdover Fans With 'Reserved' Seat Plan

Nexet Yeu Ocal I faul Warper Brox. Earle and Simley heaters. Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, will rum virtual reserved when the plays those houses this month, from the tentative plans set up to oust holdover youngsters from their sacte. It is monitored, the plays those houses this month, from the first think of the plays the plays the play the pl dolar : \$15.000 guarantee; the matter of h.c. customers is visit to this butter. WB; often in to -2 lickets for the customers are supported by the customers and run off the entire show after which the house will be empited and the procedure responted. Houses faquer to do house will be when the customers are supported by the customers and run off the entire show after which the house will be when the doubt will be the support to the customers and the procedure response to the whole the customers are customers and the customers are customers are customers and the customers are customers and the customers are customers and the customers are customers are customers.

sears will do his Lucky Strike.

He Tarnah brundersets from coch town on his theatre burr, underwrising the casts of the lines himself.

This is said to have started a hefty squable with Music Corn, of America, his mainagers, recently. Singer will be backed on the cut-nis by Jan Saviti's orchestra, conducted by Aset Stordahl's Startai's arranger, Savitu Smatra will do his Lucky Strike Savit's orchesta, conducted by Axet Stordahl, Smatta's arranger, Savit will be with him the theatres. Sunday night broadcasts on CBS will be from local CBS offliets, with stu-dio bands batonned by Stordahl.

Ink Spots Heading New \$9,500 Package

new 37,000 r achange Ink Spots, Ital Fizgerald, Couic Williams, Moke and Poke and a dance act to out on a theatre tour as a package around the first of the sear. Trouge opens in Rochester, N. Y., Jah. 7, and thereafter playin and full weeks in Columbus Spit and full weeks in Columbus Court of the Country of the Country

ngtime Follies' In Charlotte Bow Dec. 3 AGVA in Drive to Clean Up Abuses In Greenwich Village Nightclubs

The Nazi Switch

Washington, Nov.

Carrent liquor shortage in the U. S. is being embellished by Nazi propagandists for home consumption with weird stories of gang fights and armed hijackers attacking armored cars carrying whisky to the parched popu-lace. OWI reports. One news-paper printed some of these stories and concluded:

Police bulletins on the en-counters read like an army com-munique and show on which front the Americans fight best.

2-Drink Limit **By Pitt Nitery**

Pittsburgh.

Liquor shorlages came right out into the open here last week, and in the town's log spot, too, when William Penn hotel placed cards on the lables of the Terrace Room, class dime-and-dancery, informing customers that for the present they would be limited to two drinks each; of either sectioh, rye or bourbon. Wines, rums and gins wouldn't be (Contineed on page 40) (Continued on page 40)

Following on the heels of its recently launched campaign to clean up Harlem niteries and bring them into the union fold, the American Guild of Variety Artists served notice this week that at least half a dozen of the smaller reenwich Village, N. Y., spots must put an end to various abuses which, it contends are giving the nitery, profession a black eye.

sion a black eye.
It's claimed by AGVA that the sputs in question are quilty of such abuses as him hosterosc and using them in broken-down choruses, and in minimum, with some of the operature even going so far ás to yank performers without giving any no-lite. The AGVA excess any they're the of-yen frame, startibuting them to the whims of the altery open. The union last week placed the

The union last week placed the Village's Cinderella nitery, on its unfair list because of its refusal to pact a Class C contract with the union, ordering AGVA members to stay out of the spot.

20G DET. NITERY FIRE

Detroit. Fire last weekend destroyed the Hay Loft, nightclub owned by Clay-ton Wright, just outside Lansing,



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that has fresh lines overshadowing several oldies.
Barbara and Darby Moffilit strittheir charms as showgirls.
Miss Le Rene, in next to shut, clinches with a wham contortionistic routine on miniature stairease, and handturns and flips.

National, L'ville Louisville, Nov. 27. Johnny Long Orch, with Patti Dugan, Gene Williams: Sally Joy & Mascot, Hal Sherman; Prairie Chickeus (UA)

Mosco, Hal Shemung, Printer Chickests (UA).

After couple of weeks with stright vacuum on Blackstones show respectively, house returns to show respectively, house returns to hand policy with he dohmy Long band show hepsters are going for his stright was a constant of the couple of

three pops.

Sally Joy & Mascot, attractive gal
and clever dog team, pleases the
customers. The mutt with his excustomers. The mutt with his exwith some acro dancing that is
plenty okay. Gal earned a good
hand for herself and the purp by
top of a silk hat. They were not on
too long, and bowed off to a vigorous hand.

ous hand.

Hal Sherman, comedian, closes the abow with his clowning. Has an exceptive slight with, reminiscent control of the control of the

House almost capacity when re-iewed first show Friday (26).

Hold.

Capitol, Wash.

Mushington, Nov. 25.
Allen & Kent with Enrma Francis,
Min, Ting & Hoo Shee, Mandel Bros.
Dodson's Simians; Sam. Jack Kaufman's House Band with Lyun Alles
Sparrow' (RKO).

Sparrow (RKO).

This low-budget show was a solid clicker on Thanksgiving, matinee, licker on Thanksgiving, matinee, and the sparrow of the sp

their paces briskly and make a nice opening act.

Art Brown's origining, with the rimhasis on coincdy lyrics concludes and of the best vaudeville shows here this season.

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Orpheum, L. A.

Lox Angeles, Nor.
Frankle Masters Band (14), with Billy Lowe and Phyllis Myles, Austanbol, The Chords, Joe Wong, screen, Find the Blackmailer (WB).

Accent is on musical display of Frankic Masters and his orch here this week, with house bringing in three yaudc acts to, fill out 40 min-utes of stage show for the holiday

three you'de acis to, dil out 40 minutes of stage show for the holiday Masters, froir recent booking at the Billmore Bowl, gives but wife the Billmore Bowl, gives but wife for the Orpheum customers, with latter more fund to jump temporangements of Masters, and his two readers of the Company of the Company

Tower, K. C.

Kansas City, Nov. 26.

Son & Sonny, Lillian Fitzgerald,
Dave Monroe, La Verne Hutcherson;
Tower Orch (9) with Jack Parks;
'Is Everybody Happy?' (U) and
'Hi' Ya, Sailor!' (U).

Tower stage show blends house orch and four all-Negro acts into a lively dominute session, which open-knilled the stage of the stage of

the Bill Robinson manner with a characteristic filter and the control of the cont

St. Charles, X. O.

Froites On Ice, with Everett Mc-Cowan & Ruth Mack, Charles Hadelett, Tomp, LaVong & Paul Duke Generice Trojan, chorus and house band, Harvest Melody (PRC).

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State, N. Y. State, N. Y.
Paul Martell Orch, Henny Young-min, Helen Parish, Fred Roner, 3 Wells, Dave Altyn. George Barry, Tex Hagen; The Hent's On' Arvb, reviewed in current Variety.

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Tree lieges. The Hein's Course Barto.

But for Hein's Youngains weiting in a sufficient street of the surface of the surfa

over nicely Friday evening, when caught.

Others are Three. Welles (New Acts) fast tumbling turn and Fred Roner (New Acts), sleight-of-hand artist picking pockets after the maniner of Dr. Giovanni, who also scored

Business Friday evening on the first show very big. Char.

Oriental, Chi Blackstone, Arthur Blake, Borrali Minevitel's Harmonica Rascals (8); Doughboys in Ireland (Col).

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Stanley, Pitt.

Pittsburgh, Nov. 26.
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LaSaile, Marjorie Lee, Joe De Loia;
'Hostages' (Par).

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Unit Review

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to do and, in general, the show mass be-speeded up.

While general acceptance in San Francisco was fair to good, it would not be so with audiences not sprinkled with a generous number of servicemen.

Radio-Pix Names

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explain how come these clicks turkey.
Case in point is Red Skelin, who,
under development by const-to-cosit
network program, has turned into a
terrific U.S. granting from Skelion,
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WEEK OF DECEMBER 3

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New Yorker, is scheduled to open
of Chuck and Bert Jacobson, Chuck
Jacobson was formerly associated
with the Latin Quarter here.
Opening show will consist of Belt
Baker, the D'Yoon, Paul Gerit
and Markett Supposers.

'Star-Garter' Tour Cancellation Surprises: Rated Natural Draw

There were varied reports about reasons for the cancellation. Display ads for showgirls resulted in the selection of only three applicants. Todd claimed he couldn't get chorines now in the show to travel. It was denied

headed the 'Star' cast, both going ut of the show last summer. There was some switching in the cast and without a name comic. Known that at least some of the present cast results of the properties of the present cast results of the properties of the present cast results of the properties of the present cast results was figured that if performance it was figured that if performance to the properties of the

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SOMETHING FOR BOYS' IN XMAS BRITISH BOW

London, Nov.

Bernard Delfont has finally, ect. opening date of Something For the Boys' at King's theatre, Clasgow, where it premieres as Christmas stratelion for coter and half, week-traction for the contract of t lev Power.

Delfort wanted William Mollison to direct but English slager was too busy. He will, however, 'supervise' the production.

Show will be out for eight week after which it comes to the West En Delfont's Parisienne, currently touring the sticks, is due for the Whitehall in three weeks, replacing The Dark River.

Dream Street Beat

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CIO; N. Y. Isonit have assessed thermedives 600 for a publicity chest to promote Marching With Johnny. ... Arthur Beckhards' Stright Boy' has been promised at leaster for the last week in Jan. ... Dick Rodgers goes to work on score for 'State Pair,' musical version, while Hammerstein does screen treatment. Will work no it here in east. ... Dick Rodgers goes to work on score for 'State Pair,' musical version, while Hammerstein does screen treatment. Will work not it here in east in the Boy of the Company of the Comp

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offi.

I was never born, said the hurrying Orson Welles.

A thesplan was bargaining at a commercial blood donor office.

"We only pay \$5 a pint. That's our price.

"But," insisted the client, "how about if its leading-man blood?"

Current Road Shows

(Dec. 1-11)

'Abie's Irish Boston (1-11). - Plymouth

'Able's Irish Rose' (2d Co.)—Mun. Aud., Charleston (1-2); Midland, Newark, O. (3); Weller: Zancsville (4); American, St. Louis (6-11).

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ton (6-11), 'Arsenie and Old Lace' (2d Co.)—
'Arsenie and Old Lace' (2d Co.)—
Cass, Detroit (1-5); Michigan, Ann
Arbor (6); Temple, Saginaw, Mich.
(7); Palace, Flint- (8); Michigan,
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"Dark Eyes"—Class, Detroit (6-10-1).

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'Jackpot' (tryout)-Shubert, New Jackpot' (tryout)—Shubert, New Hawen (2-4) (premiere): Forrest, Philadelphia (6-11). 'Jane Eyre-Geary, San Francis-co (1-4): Civic, San Jose, Cal. (5): Senior High School, Santa Rosa (6): Aud., Oakland (7-8): Senior High School, Sacramento (10-11). 'Janie' (2d Co.)—Civie, Chicago

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"Junior Miss"—Arcadia, Wichita
(1); Aud., Denver (3-4); Capitol,
Salt Lake City (6); Pinney, Boise,
U(a) (8); Metropolitan, Seattle (10-11)

(10-11).

Kiss and Tell' (2d. Co.)—Harris.
Chicago (1-11).

Kiss and Tell' (3d. Co.)—Locust,
Philadelphia (1-11).

Kiss and Tell' (4th Co.)—Curran,
San Francisco (1-11).

Little Women—Lafayette, Detroit

'Life With Father' (2d Co.)-David-

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'Ramshackie Inn' (tryout)—Wilbur, loston (1-4); Walnul, Philadelphia (6-11)

Shakespeare Repertory (John Car-radine)—Biltmore, Los Angeles (6-

radinc)—Biltmore, Los Angeles (6-11), 'Sons O' Fun'—Hanna, Cleveland (1-4); Taft Aud, Cineinnati (6-11), 'Student Prince'—Royal Alexandra, Toronio (1-4); Nixon, Pittsburgh (6-

The Patriots National, Washington (1-11).
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Walmut, Philadelphia
Three's A Family' (2d Co.—Community Aud., Hershey (11). War Mem.
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mington (6-11). Tomorrow the World' (2d Co.)

Sclwyn, Chicago (1-11),

'Without Love'—Billmore, Los Angeles (1-4); Geary, San Francisco (6-11).

'Lovers' Bright In Buffalo at \$21,500

With local reviewers pulling to the following the followin

Inside Stuff—Legit

Broadway's critics who originally accorded the notices to 'Winged Victory'. The Moss Hart epic of the Army Air Forces at the 44th Street, N. Y., went into cettasies over the sage of homber pilots in Sinday's (28) drams sections. Levis Nichols in the Times said of Hart: 'He has done something of which he should be proud—as should the theatre...

- And Chapman in the News said: 'The U. S. Army Air Forces dropped a blockbuster on 44th street a week ago last intible. The effect unon those who were fortunate enough to be there will remain with them through her lives. So long as memory lasts they will, recall the thrills, the tars, the laughter and the great surge of pride which possessed them, on that and on the basis of modest wage scales. Winged Victory' consultive giess a week to operate. According to 'Variety' week.

week.

Howard Barnes in the Herald Tribune: The triumphant thing about the work is that it is a brilliant play on any terms as well as the greates artistry. In touches, the heart of the democratic will be make a better ace to live in without ever laboring the point. Writer lauded the acting as well as the author.

Weekles, including Life and Newsweek went to town for 'Victory' al-nough the comment in Time was lukewarm, as it was in PM. Itic, lone ally not to 'rave' Lonis Kroeneberger is the critic for both. George can Nathan, in his weekly summary in the Journal-American Monday 231, was a dissenter, rating Irving Berlins' This Is the Army the loop

Extra-giere act. Friday in New York papers (20) for Carman Jones, opening at the Beradetoy. N. Thissable (bet. announced the work opening at the Beradetoy N. Y. Thissable (bet. announced the work opening at the boxoffice but those for the first night were rechanged that the boxoffice but those for the first night were rechanged that the state of the stat

tickets are \$5.00 top.

Ordinarily it take: 12 days to get lickets printed. However, it-was discovered that tickets for 'Artists and Models,' which closed at the Broadway last Saturday (27), were on hand and call for the same prices, \$4.40 nightly except. Saturdays, when the lop is \$5.50. As tickets do not carry the name of the attraction the 'Artists' lickets were made available for Carmen.' Sudden closing of the review, which played slightly more than three weeks, secounted for the Carmen' booking.

Wolfe Kaufman, p.a. 'Carmen' gifted dramatic editors and crities of N. Y. dailies with advance copy of libretto and lyries for current and future reference.

Reports from Boston sel' forth a dispute over hiring a third man or assistant for the Opera House boxoffice during the engagement of Cannen Jones, which terminated there. Saturday (4) after three weeks. Boxoffice lines were continuous during the first two weeks of the operation and the Rose, who produced Jones, saked for an extra ticket seller. House management refusing unless Rose shared the additional mais pay on a 70-30 basis, same as the show's sharing terms. Theater is operated by the solid produced Jones, same after the state of the state

Four musicals will have an \$8.80 top for New Year's eve, which falls on a Fr.day, shows being 'Oklahoma' (St. James), 'Winged Victory' (44th Street), 'Something For the Boys' (Alvin) and 'One Touch of Yenuz' (Imperial). Except the first named, the Saturday night seale is usually \$5.50, having a \$440 top on other nights. 'Ziegleid Follies' (Winter Cardeni) and 'A Connecticut Yanhee' (Becks' will charge \$77.0. 'The Merry Widow' (Majestel) and 'What's Up' (Twilloud), also musical, will be \$6.00.

Among straight shows those at \$550 will be 'Lovers' and Friends' (Plymouth). 'Harriet' (Miller). 'Another Love Story' (Fulton). 'The Doughgirls' (Lyceum), 'Othello' (Shubert), 'Two Mrs. Carrolis' (Booth, 'Kiss and Tell' (Biltmore) and 'The Voice of the Turtle' (Moroscoi. All the

'Susan and God' ori inally produced by John Golden, is slated for one week's revival as a courtesy to the N, Y, city administration, play to be first legit altraction in N, Y, City Center (Meee Temple). The cast will be paid two week's salary, unless there is a concession from Eughen stipulates that period as minimum for engagements. Possible, too. which were the produced that the product of t

In storage, with cost about a sale to be represented. The first appeared in Susan' in October, 1937, play scoring a bit, and then was toured to the Costs. Control Nagel will be the enth support, instead of Eddie Dowling, who was first mentioned. Date at the Center is week of Dec. 13.

Over the east of 'Get Away Old Man,' which opened at the Cort, Ni Y., ast Wednesday (24), is a program note by Pvt. William Saroyan, who wrote the play

wrote the play. Get Away Gid Man' is an American play, and nothing else. It was Get Away Gid Man' is an American play, and nothing else. It was invented. All of its characters in the play it bis most only living person in the world, that person is myself. I don't know anybody else well enough to praise or crificiars, celebrate or condenn, immortalize or dams."

Ethel arrymore has been mentioned for a new play this judging from the road business of 'The Corn Is Green,' in which starring, the actress will hardly be available before late sprin.

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Altendance in midwastern stands is an indicator. Miss Barrymore appeared in Decalur, III. List week for the first time since 1913, however unable to purchase tickets. Blocks of the control of th

. New edition of Stubs, a slick-paper, booklet with seating plans of New York legit theatres, music halls and stadia (ball parks, etc.), now also recludes stage dimensional data. Listed, too, are capacities of each legiter, with the number of seats on each floor and in the boxes. Indicated that with the number of seats on each floor and in the boxes. Indicated that with the property of the prope have larger co

It was open house at the Treasurers Club Saturday (27) evening one of several get-togethers prior to the outfit's annual benefit show. This season it's to be a performance of The Doughghrig's lat the Lyceum, NY. on Sunday. Dec. 12. Club session, which welcomed femme treasurers for the occasion, was designated in hour of Louis Lotton and Mice Outers. On the Committee of the Comm

Postwar Theatre Training Program For Troops Planned at N. Y. Parley

Plans for a postwar theatrical training program for troops awaiting demobilization, in which the National Theatre Council would play a major role, was davanced at a three-day NTC powwow held at the Ficeally hotel, Nr. which wound up to the new the new the new to be not the new to be new to be not the new to be not the new to be not the new to be new to be not the new to be not the new to be not the new to be new to be not the new to be new to be not the new to be not the new to be not the new to be new to be

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Governmental exes, it was announced will be approached to okay the setting up of an organization by NTC whereby troops here and avoid may join in an exhaustive staging, preparing and presenting dramatic musteal and variety shows to fill in the gaps between 'cease firing' and home, sweet home, when military duties in many areas pre-sumably will be curtified and a sure time will be presented. The sure time will be presented.

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sure time will be presented.

NTC plans to utilize civilian members of its organization as well as those in the armed forces to train directors and supervisors to superintend the proposed postwar program, pointing out that experienced incubers of the Conference are well second in the headthing of anything of the program of the conference are well versed in the handling of amateur tulent as well as other production problems likely to be encountered.

problems likely to be encountered.
Although no definite steps in the plan were announced, it was learned that unofficial approas! has been that progress along the lines out that progress along the lines out lined has been made. Participating in the discussions were Sam Jaffe. Or Equity. Reasoned Gilter, of or Equity. Reasoned Cilter, of president of the Conference, now a USN liest, and Prof. John Delman, Jr., of the University of Pennsylvania.

Reports on the international the-Reports on the international the area in the present conflict were presented by Allardyce Nicoll, profession on leave from Yale University and attached to the British Embassy, Rose Quong, Chinèlee actress; T. Y. Lo, president of China Films, Major Victor George, director of the Canadona and the Allard China Chi tor. A message by Raymundo Ma-galhaes, Brazilian playwright, unable to attend because of illness, also was

read.

Representatives of the War Dept.
present at the closing session included Major James Malone and Lt.
Michael Wardell, plus J. F. Sorano
of USO-Cump Shows, Inc.
Others heard during the threeday meeting were Maxwell Anderson, Howard Lindsay, Kay Strozat,
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Shuberts Set 2 Units Of 'Blossom Time' To Tour; B.O. Remains Big

a uui, p.V. nemams big For the first time in years two companies of Blossom Time will be on the road. The Sigmund Rom-berg-Frant Schubert operetts, which sha been toured seasonally for more than 20 years, wound up a date in Scotto Saturday 273 and has been company will play intermediate stands. Operetta vogue may account for the top being \$2.75, raised from \$2.20 as of last season.

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Time' and 'Student Prince' have been nurtured by J. J. Shubert since inception, and they've been consistent moneymakers. Both musicals were so successful last' season and currently that J. J. has been in a position to assert his independence from Lee Shubert's activities more

or any of asset in a mapefraders reformer of the service of the

the street.

During one season there were ninc
companies of Blossom Time on the
road. Reported that the operetta has
been making over \$4,000 weekly out
of town this season.

Audiences Say No

London, Nov. 30.

This Time It's Love, which opened Nov. 25.at the Cornedy, is a lethargic adaptation of an old French, cornedy, with a story that's beautiful that the play will get much of a West End following. Ten Little Niggers; which opened Nov. If at the SI. James, looks like a lis a mystery thriller by Agatha Christie.

Mgrs. League **Woos Members**

James F. Reilly, for the League of New York Theatres, has sent a let-ter (o. . . producers who are not ing out that the League has func-tioned for all showmen and there was no valid reason for sny to be on outside. Communication was sent atter Jed Harris wrote a brief note of resignation. No explanation was one showman opined that Harris was

of escipation. See expansion on an open of the common of t

BRASCH'S PLAY

Henry Brasch, eastern rep for Arnold Pressburger, film producer, Arnold Pressburger, film producet, personnel production tentatively, titled Friendly Margaret Sullavan, 85,000 Anthony Brown to direct.

Plans are to open in N. Y. in Alfred de Liagre, 39,000 Friedlerick B. Payne, State

Kruger in Coast Play

Hollywood, Nov. 30.

Coast company of 'Co-respondent Unknown' is being formed by director Russell Fillmore for break-in at Tivoli theattre. Frisco. next month. Otto Kruger and Dorothea Kent are set for the leads.

Joseph Blumenteld, Bay City the.

atre operator, is presenting

Adrian Preps Suit Vs. Myerberg On Belles' Ouster

Justice Lloyd Church in N. Y. superace court last week declined to make permanent a temporary inhere from ousting Henry Adrian's Victory Beles from the Mansfield, N. Y. However, the court ruled that Werberg had no right to cancel the play's booking until after the fifth award.

award, was outset at the end of the fourth week when Adrian desired to the court of the court was a strong wa

Legit Pards

'Feathers In a Gale'-General part-ners: Arthur Hopkins and Martin Burton. Limited partners and their investments: Mrs. Harold Levin, \$5,000. Dorothy C. Linn, \$5,000. Porothy C. Linn, \$5,000. Porothy S. Linn, \$5,000. Porothy S. Linn, \$5,000. Hore Porothy, \$5,000. Mayer Poris, \$5,000. Hore Porothy, \$1,000. Los R. Horne, \$1,000. Walter A. \$1,000. May: Bacer, \$5,000. Edwin Cushman, \$5,000. The Voice of the Turtlet—(The Alred de Liagre, Jr. C.o.). General partner. Airfed de Liagre, Jr. Linnerstein S. Linner Burton. Limited partners and their

\$2,000; Mrs

Turkey Day Biz on Broadway N.S.H., Indicated Pre-Xmas Lull Started

Double 'Boys' Ballyhoo V-shaped sign at 46th and Broad-way, which had Something For the

Boys' (Alvin, Y.) on one panel and 'The Naked Genius' on the other, now has both sides exploiting

'Genius' letterin was not com-pleted until after it was decided to close that show, withdrawn from the Plymouth recently after three and a half weeks. Sign was promptly blocked out after the show folded:

'Artists' in Red For \$200,000

Artists and Models has a long haut to climb out of the red on list proposed tour, sladed to start around New Year's. The revue played but three weeks and two days at the Broadways, N. Y., where it closed more than \$200,000, which does not represent cost of production, around \$25,000. The proposed to t

Understood operating loss is approximately \$90,000. Gross, dropped further last week, being figured around \$16,000. Capacity in the large Broadway, with a top of \$4.40 night) (\$5.50 Saturday), is around \$45,000.

After This Yarn, Davis May Not Have Shows, But He'll Sure Have Scripts

He II Sure Have Scripts
Meyer Davis has one for Ripley.
Ex-maestro, now a prolife backer of legit productions, complaint has a \$500,000 pool but hardy any want to produce himself, although in the instance of Wall Flower; by game is 600m H. Grinnan. Davis owns substantial interests in Tomorrow the World' and Merry Widow, and is investor in the forth-condition of the control of th

been the peak of the autumn period on Broadway but that holiday for 1943, last Thursday (24), will go down in the records as an exception. Twenty-two attractions played matinee on turkey day but only

handful sold out. Boxoffice tapering has been indicated for several weeks, and although. played times, there was no increase in

weekly grosses because of the holiday weakness. Weekend which followed was not up to the level of revious weekly finales. Not many revious weekly finales. people were noticed, on Braadway during the generally turkeyless holi-day itself. A varied explanation was given, principally that hotel occu-pancy was considerably under the virtual capacity pace since summer. One reason is that Thanksgiving One reason is that Thankegiving was not celebrated this geason in many communities, where war plants continued to operate without austrolled the second of the second plants and the second plants aby kept in their hometowns many persons who planned a inqu holiday in the metropolis over the week. In any event theatre business will probably drop off up to Christmas, true hejectore i nim ed at et ly after hejectore i nim ed at et ly after heretofore i Thanksgiving.

heriotore i min ed is tel y after Inadistiving. Indications are that a number of Indications are received the saturation point in volume of product or have completed their contracts with the Government. For such reasons plants with huge numbers of employees may shut down for varying east reported having done so already. Big factories are pointing to post-war activities. So much in the way of material and construction is in contractivities. So much in the way of the contractivities of the way of the contractivities of the way and soon plants which must be converted back to peacetime activity will be closed temporarily, and the prospect is that industry will be forced the program of the contractivity will be closed temporarily, and the prospect is that industry will find each which means that show business should 'flourish,' although temporary setbacks are to be anticipated.

D. C. May Be Snag To N. Y. Stav for 'Victory': Advance Sellout Soon

Box office impetus of 'Winged Vieory' indicates the Army Air Force drama could remain at the 44th Street, N. Y., at least for the balance of the season. Advance sale is so strong that tickets for eight weeks soon will have been all sold, but insoon will have been all sold, but indications are that the engagement will terminate in mid-January. As the house has been committed to another probably gu to the road, there being no other theatre on Broadway to berth it. Understood that Washington believes two months in New York is enough for the show, regardless of Yeone.

Booking Jam Still On

Beoking Jam SIII on Booking situation, especially for musicals, continues to be so tight that at least one run musical still getting important: grosses will probably be forced to the road though it could play into warm weather. A deal pends whereby "victory" may stay on provided another house is a continued by the provided another house is a continued by the stay of the provided another house is a continued by the stay of the force of the stay of

cured. But that's up to the Army people. Situation has a smash musicalproper to the Touch of Venux—not selling to the touch of Venux—not selling not definite whether the 4th Street will be available or whether it is to remain at the Imperial. Mexican at the Imperial. Mexican the Jayride is booked into the latter spot, deal made prior to the opening the touch of the people of th

day 12) reported following the op-eretta.

Rosalinda' is in its third Broad-way house, having opened at the 44th Street, then moved to the finst-named theatre until recently, seat-rangement and could be foreed out-ting that spot in accommodate vice-tural countries of the seath of the transpersed and could be foreed out-if given four weeks notice but none has been tendered to date.

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WPB Yardstick

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At the same time, WPB has worked out the minimum size of wartime crews necessary to operate motion picture, theaters of different sizes. The indication relative to the graphs are the properties of the many properties of the properties of the properties of the properties of the prepared under the supervision of prepared under the supervision of prepared under the supervision of kind by the Government, are being prepared under the supervision of McMurphey. They underline the fact that WPB recognizes the rimportance of recreational facilities—with particular emphasis on motion pictures—to keep war workers happy and to prevent them from migrating to other places.

migrating to other places.
In its tentative form, as submitted to Donald R. Longman, chief of the OCR Service Trades Division, the study shows the following:

Factor.

A community of 5,000 should have at least one film theatre of 700 seats, or two—one with 500 and the other with 300 seats. There should be an auditorium and a gymnavium, or a community center; at, least six billiard tables in a billiard parlor, a towning academy with 5 alleys to me the seat of the seat of

park, four tennis courts and a park. Community of 10,000; two film houses, one with \$00, the other with 500 seats; bowling centre with 16 alleys or two centres with 10 alleys each. two billiard centres of six tables each; one dancehall; plus play-grounds, two continuity centres, learning the continuity centres, the continuity of 5000s.

Shows in Rehearsal

'Marianne' — B. Schulberg. Marion Gering. 'When Doctors Disagree'—William

Meloney, Rose Franken.
'Susan and God' (revival) - John Feathers In a Gale' -- Arthur Hop-

'Feathers in a Gair --Armir kins, Martin Burtoo. 'Over 21'-Max Gordon. 'Suds in Your Eye'-Kay Jack Del Bondio. 'New Horizon' — . Toni Ward, Jean Muir.

oni Ward, Jean Muir. Storm Operation.—Playwrights. Mexican Hayride—Michael Todd. 'Lady Comes Home.—J. J. Leven-all, George Brandt. 'The World's Full of Girls'—Jed

Only 3-Player Cast But 'Turtle' Getting \$3.85 Top on B'way

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having recently changed ownership Last season, when it was controlled by the Shuberts, the house ran into a succession of flops, and it's claimed to have lost \$41,000 in operation.

Work Out Experimental Plan for Payless Actors

New plan for actors who insist on acting even without compensation has been worked out by the Experimental Theatre committee.

has been worked out by the Experimental Theater committee.

Idea is to give performances in title theatics of New Yorks public line quipment. For stage performances more spots will serve as action workshops and appearances.

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Current London Shows

London, Nov. 30. Acacla Avenue, Vaudeville. 'Admirable Crichton,' His Mai. 'Are de Triomphe,' Phoenix. 'Arsenic and Old Lace,' Strand. 'Arsenic and 'Bilthe Spirit,' Duchess. Claudia, St. Marlin's. 'Dancing Years,' Adelphi. 'Flare Path,' Apollo. 'HI-De-HI,' Stoll. 'li's Foolish But Fun.' Coliseum 'Il's Time Dance, Winler Garden Junior Miss! Saville 'Lisbon Story,' Hippodrome,

'Live for Love,' Haymark 'Lottle Dundass,' Cambridge Moon Is Down, Whitehall. Other. .' Playhouse Sister Elleen, Savoy.

Sister Elleen, Savoy Panama Haller, leachilly, Plank String, uke of York's Qulet Week-End, Wyndham's, She Fellows Me About, 'Garrick, Something in the Air, Palue, Sizike a New, Nole, Wales, Sweet and Low, Ambassador, Pen Little Nigress, St. James, Ten Little Nigress, St. James, Ten Little Nigress, St. James, Ten Little Nigress, St. James, They Came to a City, 'Clobe,' This Time It's Love,' Comedy,

Literati

Davis, McNutt on Verge of Feud What may develop into the new-est. Washington feud has broken loose here as the result of a dress-ing (town given by Elmer Davis to Paul V. McNutt's public relations in the War Manpower Commission.

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it wouldn't be as overboord with pleture material. The prelate donated the Collier's check to the NCCS (Cattolic Content opposite St. Patrick's Cathedral, N. Y. 1

Also, because of his interest in the Also, because of his interest in the Canteen, the Archbishop ist making one of his rare ridio appearances; and is going on the air with Quentin Reynolds and Raymond Paige in The Salute to Youth on Dec. 7, donating a repurted \$1,500 fee to the NCCS as well.

Sturdivant's

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Sturdivant, film editor of the
American Weekly, left New York
for the Coast over the past weekend,
He is to open offices in Hollywood
for the periodical.

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Eliot, Paul's first book in factory over a chiller-thriller thought years chiller-thriller thought the borrowed from the opp song. It's Murder-the ays. Paul's last was 'Last Time I Saw Paris, and Kash Time I Saw Paris, and Andrea Pari

Asia. — and mattle for Quentin Reynolds, 6th book, his longest, (110,000 words) has finally been tilled The Curtain Rises. For a time he leaned towards. Has Just Beguin. Gen. Montgomery's crack.

Octavus Roy Cuhen's new Collier's serial starts next week. It. Romance in the First Decree, but the Macmillan book version will be captioned Blood on the Moon's when it is published in the spring.

This is the novel wherein 'Variety' flyures prominently in the Broadway.

This is the novel wherein 'Variety' figures prominently in the Broadway theatrical story, and a 'Variety' reporter, gets bumped off. Collier's switch of the litle is because it always favors the romantic angle, but what's romantic about knocking off a 'Variety' mugg?

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Chi Stays Strong; 'Oklahoma' 27G. 'Corn' \$17,000, 'Tomorrow' \$15,500

Chicago, Nov. 30
There was some noticeable fluctuations in grosses last week, both up and down, but all attractions are holding on substantially. Oktahoms' second, week and house is sold out up to and including Christmas night with the exception of a few with the exception of a few of the exception of the excepti

Estimates for Last Week 'Corn Is Green,' Studebaker (3d week) (1,400; \$2.75). Holding around \$17,000.

\$17.000.

'Good Night, Laides' Blackstone
(\$5th week) (1,200; \$2.75). Dropped
\$13.700.

'Jante,' Civic (8th week) (900;
\$2.75). Skiching close to \$8.500.

'Kiss and Tell,' Harris (29th week)
(1,000; \$2.75 Still leading straight
plays with \$18.500.

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Oklahoma, Eriunger (22 week)
100, \$2.80.

Eriunger (22 week)
100, \$2.70.

Eriunger (23 week)
10,000; \$2.73.

Building up
ach week Fine \$15.500.

Unexpected Honeymoon, 100,000; \$2.75.

Opening six performances took \$4,500.

500. Walfz King, Civic Opera House (4th week) (3.500; \$3.85). Folder Saturday (27) to \$25,000.

'SONS' \$32,500 FOR SOCKO BIZ IN PITT

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'SPIRIT' TERRIFIC \$17.600 IN TORONTO

"Blithe Spiril" crashed through a terrific estimated \$17.000 here large week. Latter half of week saw turn-away business, with Royal Alexan-dria (1.525-seater) scaled at \$2.50 top.

top.
Advance on 'Student Prince' (cur-rent) was close to \$6,000.

'Jr. Miss' Big \$18,500 K.C.-Omaha Split Wk

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Five Ransas City, Nov. 30.

Five performances of Junior Miss;
the second show to be booked into
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Tool last week. Total was for two
mals and three night show. House
was sealed at a \$2.80 top. Crix gave
hall nice review. Total was for two
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'Miss' \$3,800 in Omaha Omaha Nov. 30. In a single night performance here at the Omaha theatre, 'Junior Miss' garnered an estimated \$3,800 last week. Top was \$2.75.

'Father' 12G, Indpls.

Indianapolis. Nov. 30.
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Army Playets 134G In Fine St. L. Week

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St. Louis. Nov. 30

American theatre's gross list; were
for the current season passed the
\$250,000 mark, and indications point
to the most successful season since
the progression era. Tan Army Flay
week stand that wound up Saturday
(27). The 1,700-seat house was scaled
to \$2,50.

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'Carmen,' 22G, 'Inn' 12G, 'Doughgirls' 20G, 'Abie' 15G in Hub

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'Able's Irish Rose,' Plymouth (1,424, \$2.75). Maintaining sweet pace
for estimated \$15,000, eight performances, very fine. Final week current.
Blossom Time.' Shubert (1,500;
\$2.75). Steady at \$15,000 estimated
for eight performances; final week
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"Carnen Jones," Opera House (3, 505, 92.0); 827.5 Stats.) Vituality held of the control of the c

estimated \$20,000, and seems set for winter. Eight performances. "Ramstackle Inn," Wilbur (1,300; \$2.75). Opened Mon. (22) to catcli poor notices, but building for good weckends, Result is comfortable \$12-000; seven performances, estimated. Final week current, and show goes to Philly for fortnight.

'DOUGHGIRLS' \$10,000 DISAPPOINTS IN CINCY

Cincinnati, Nov. 30.

Legit unfolded at three houses hat we will be considered at the constant of the constant

The indie Emery auditorium, 2-, 200-scater, out of the theatre belt. Had Maid of Ozarks' teeing off with a reported \$6,200. Engagement is for here weeks. Top is \$2,20 for night performances and \$1.10 for matinese, but management is cult-railing. This week the Cox has 'Dark Eyes' at \$2.75 top.

'Johnny' Neat 271/2 G In Week at Newark

Marching with Johnny, CIO musical, hit a fancy gail her and pulled up stakes Saturday night 127) with powerful \$27,500 for the week's run Advance was close to \$20,000 local run.

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Malinees per usual here, were off but p.m. biz kept the show in the winner's circle.

'Road' \$8,300, N. H.

Repeat set of Tobacco Road, plugged as 11 of Tobacco Road, plugged as 11 of Tobacco Road, plugged as 11 of Tobacco Road, plugged as 12 of Tobacco Road, plugged Road, Plugge

'Kiss' 231/₂G In Philly Bow. Wow 18G for 'Turtle'

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city this week and will remain so until the holidays at any rate and, so that the second of the rest of the season of the rest of the season.

The Erlanger relighted last night (29) for a two-week engagement.

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vance. Third attraction last week—the Boston Comic Opera Company—in its second week of Gilbert and Sultins second week of Gilbert and Sultins second way on the company—in the company—the company—the

'HARRY' \$19,400 IN FINALE AT WASH.

Washington, Nov. 30. Uncle Harry closed a two-week engagement under the auspices of the American Theatre Society, with a gross of \$39,400, the last eight performances netting \$19,400. Show finaled here.

finaled here.

The Patriots', with Walter Hampden, arrived last night (29) with about \$52,000 in advance sales for the two-week ingagement. This with the two-week ingagement with the first property of the weeks, opening on Sunday night, Dec. 12. This will be followed by Ruth Goroon in her own play, 'Over 21,' expected to play New Years, week at \$3 top.

'Patriots' Fine \$18.400 In Week at Baltimore

Baltimore, Nov. 30.

The Patriots, in at Ford's last week as the fourth of six plays promised under American Theatre Society-Guild subscription, rang the bell resoundingly with a swell total of \$18,400 at a top of \$2.77 for the 1,430 seats.

1,430 seats.

Next listed is the pre-Broadway trial of the Playwrights production of Storm Operation, by Maxwell Anderson, which will open a 10-day booking at the indie Maryland Dec. 9. Blosom Time is set to follow on Dec. 13 at Ford's.

'Don't Mention It' Mild \$7,000 in 1st Wk., Seattle

Don't Mention B. Trying out at the Metropolitans, garnered mild \$7,000 at week at \$2.88 top. House seans 1,500.

'Winged Victory' \$35.500, 'Oklahoma' \$35,600. 'Follies' 36G Pace Broadway: 'Garter' 121/2G in Finale, 'Yankee' 26G

"Garter' 12½/2 in Finale, 'Yankee' 26G

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same goes for most others; around 15,000 claimed spain for sock hold"Lady Behave," Ambassador (C-1, 1908), \$3.00. Third and final week, \$3.500. (Victory Belles' stated to resume her Sunday (S).

Like With Folker: John (Lower States), \$1.00. The state of the state

out all performances, too. for limit of standers, same for Thanksgivins of the week of the week of 1947; \$3.20). Eased work when the Indicated gross was around \$10.00. Based work when the Indicated gross was around \$10.00. Based work when the Indicated gross was around \$10.00. Based work when the Indicated gross was around \$10.00. Based work when the Indicated gross was removed to the Indicated gross was removed by the Indicated gross was removed by the Indicated gross was removed by the Indicated gross was removed to the Indicated gross was removed by the Indicated gross was removed to the Indicated gross was removed gross and Gartery Musics flow the Indicated gross was removed gross and Gartery Musics flow the Indicated gross was removed gross and Gartery Musics flow the Indicated gross was removed gross and Gartery Musics flow the Indicated gross was removed gross and Gartery Musics flow the Indicated gross was removed gross and gross gr

dreds.

The Innecent Voyage, Belasco (2d week) D-1,000: \$3.30: Rated somewhat better at estimated \$9,500 though, claiming around \$12,000; Theatre Guild subscription helps.

Three's Family I. Donacre (29th week) (C-1 018: \$3.20: Played an

Bennett's 'Love' \$12,000 L.A., 'Fun,' 'Ozarks' Weak

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Los Angeles, Nov. 30.

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Last year he changed his name to
Tom Cusey and copped first prize on Major Bowes amateur hour with a song he wrote, called Scram. Hitler, Scram.

sone he wrote; carros, Seram.'
Recently, while working as wratchman at a defense plaint, he tripped on a plank. He never fully recovered.
Ayres was a member of the National.
Audieville Artists and the Actors'
Fund. Survived by widow. Jeanette.

FRANK SHERIDAN

FRAN SHEERDAY
Frank Swelding it actor for more than ball a century on state and screen, dide, Nov. 24 at his home. Hollywood after, a short lines. Well known for a past gen-lines. Well flower interest and the summer of the second legitimate dramas in New York. At a lift a story. Sweldar mader tenal picture. Fast Life. As a character actor ho, played in all the major studies of Hollywood, including roles in Ske Street. The Land problem of the street in the same problem of the street in the same problem. Washing roles in Ske Street. The Payoff. 'Conflict' and 'The Life of Smile Zola'. Payoff. 'Conflict' and 'The Life of Emile Zola. He had been active in films until

few days before his death and ad been signed for a role in the orthoning 20th-Fox picture, Wilson. He leaves widow.

son.' He leaves widow.

PAUL TEELENS.
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TOM COSTELLO
Tom Coslello. 80, one of the last surviving British music hall comedians of the Victorian era. died in London recently. He was contemporary with Marie Lloyd and Dan Leno, with whom he shared head-light hange. liner honors.

heer hones.

Best known of his songs, usually n. Cockney idion, were "At Truity for the his hone and "When the Old Church Bells Are Ringing, Retired after the last war, but reappeared for brief tour, with "Veterans of Variety."

Survived by widow.

ARTHUR CATTERALL Arthur Catterall, 59, leader of the British Broadcasting Company's symphony orchestra from 1929 to 1936, and the foremost British violin soloist, died in Stanmore, England.

soloist. Nov. 28

Catterall made his first public ap-pearance at the age of 6 and devel-oped from a child prodigy into an accomplished virtuoso. He became

leader the Queen's Hall prome-made concerts in London in 1909 and fater fed the Halle orchestra in Ger-many from 1914 to 1925. Since 1936 he taught at the Royal Academy of

J. I. WAIN.
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J. II. Wainman, An under and legit performer affection of modulians for NBC, died in Herkimer.
N. Yu. Nov. 22.
Wainman, bad, appeared in such missicomedice, as "Lady Be Gond," lift the Deck, The Vagatond King and later, toured the values, evident and later, toured the values, evident performance of the property of the prope 1932 and sang on morning devo-tions program for five years before becoming director of unditions. Survived by widow, mother and healthprather.

WILLARD BRYANT
Withard Bryant 81, for more can
a half century active in theatre orehs
in Detroit as well as the music business, icd Nov. 26 at hi home in
Detroit.

Detroit. He was a trumpet player in 1895 in the old Detroit Opera House orch and for many years werked in other ficative pits. More than 30 years ago he established the Music House and was also a founder of the Shrine bands.

GEORGE M. HAMMOND
George M. Hammond, foruset vissociated with his father in the Hamsociated his father with his brother,
for his properties also Cambridge of
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vice-president of the Ohio Outdoor
Advertising Asso.
Widow survive.

MORRIS BOUDREAUX

Morris O. Boudreaux. 48, theatre operator who owned the Lyric and other theatres in New Orleans for many years, died Nov. 25 in that city. Under his, management the Lyric fleatre presented many Negro vaude stars. Survived by his wi son, daughter, two brothers and three sisters.

SAMUEL SCHOENSTADT

SAMUEL SCHOENSTADT
Samuel Schoenstadt, 42. chair, theaire executive, died in Chicago Nev.
26 of a heart aliment. He had been
with the Schoenstadt & Sons circuit
rince 1920, when he entered the theatre business, and was making the
when he died at the wheel of his
automobile.
Surviving are widow, two daughlers and two brothers.

MATHER SHANAHAN
Mather Shanahan, 27, theatre manager for the Fox West Coast Circuit,
ager for the Fox West Coast Circuit,
thrown from an automobile which
streek a traffic island in Lox Angeles.
Shanahan hud recently been released
from the Army medical discharge.
The Foxes a wife and child.

PVT. ALLEN FORT
Pet. Allen Fort. 31. formerly an announcer at WEBR. WGR and WKBW in uffalo, died at Fort Knbx Nov. 22.

Nov. 22.

Fort was associated with radio in
Hawaii. Panama and Philadelphia
before comi uffalo.

Survived by widow and infant son.

R. E. GRIFFITH

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R. E. Griffith. 50, operator of 345

film theatres and owner of various
holes, died Nov. 24 in Beverly Hils
following a recurrence of a heart
allment from which he had been recuperating for two months.

(Details in Film Section).

ROLLAND H. BEALL Rolland H. Beall, 46, manager of

Simmit each Parl, near Akron, O., from 1925 to 1933, died Nov. 17 in Cuyahoga Palls, O., leaving his widow, mother, three sisters and two

HE : WEATHERSBY Holen Weathersby, 80, retired le-git actress, died in New York Nov 26. She was a member of a the atrical family, brother; tichard, an wo sisters: Jeanie and Eliza, all having been legit performers.

ROBERT M. ELLERY

Robert, M. Effery, 49, songw died Nov. 19 in Pensacola, Fla. Widow and two sons survive.

Saverio Stefano, 71, formes bandmaster with Ringling Brus. B: & B. Circus, and who later organized his own bands in Canton and Maristreting are widow, four sons and three daughters.

J. Fonlos, 53, owner of the Michigan theatre, nu Arhor, Mich, died there following a heart attack on Nov. 23.

MARRIAGES

Charlotte Rogers to ient Harold Kirch, U.S.N., Beverly Hills, Nov. 22. a Hollywood press

Marlin Moskowitz to Dorothy Speier at Kew Gardens, New York on Nov. 27. Groom is executive as sistant to William J. Kupper. 20th sistant to william J. Kupper, 20th-Fox general sales manager.

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Beverly ills, Nov. 28. Bride is film

Lynn ari to Michael Sidney Lutt. Beverly ills, Nov. 28. Bride is film netress: groom a test pilot: Harriet Huntington Hopper Storm to Preben Storm, Beverly Hills, Nov 28. Groom is Danish actor now in

to obviate di iculties arising from his first wife.

Mrs. Betty ilbert to William K. Loomis, Nov. 23. Grand Rapids. Bride is assistant to Walter J. Norris, nanuger of the Butterfield Theatres, Lina Romay to John Lawrence Adams Los Angeles, Nov. 25. Bride is vocalist with Xavier Cugat's or-

Mary Lec to Sgt. Harry Hollywood, Nov. 12. Bride is ing star at Republic.

ing star at Republic.

Anne Giles to Ensign Douglas
Netter, U. S. N., ronxville, N. Y.,
Nov. 30. roum is the son of Leon
Netter, v. p. of Paramount Theatres
Service Corp., N. Y.

Elaine Penn to Jerome J. Werby, Springfield: Nov. 7. ride is radio editor of the Republican in that city. Mrs. Beatrice Goetz to Charles LeMaire. Nov. Beverly Hills. Bride is the former wife of Harry

Mex. Show Biz

Continued from page 2 many years, these theatres running simultaneously, such as the Follies Bergere, Lirice, Ideal, Fabre-gas, Arbeau and the Iris, recently ass. Arbein and the tits, recently leased by an American local plumbing, supplies manufacturer, Orçeke Miller, title (Charlie McCarthy) of off few American acts. This show opened Nov. 5, to be followed by he first American operatus. The Decort Song tits Sparish to be provided by the control of the American operatus. The Decort Song tits Sparish to be provided by Jores Merete. Moxico. The Juyenile picture star and singer, with a promisent Mexican cast, with the exception of the chorus, which will be briought direct from Holly-merete. This production is get to open Deco.

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Wilkerson-Bioff Deal

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instructions that nothing good or bast would be published about the labor relations in the studies or about the Infernational until your rejurned. In substance that the statement made by Mr. ioff at that time? A. Until I returned. Q. Yes, A. Yes.

Ontil Teturiou. Q. 1es. A. 1es. Q. Let nee ask you if you ever communicated to Mr. Rosselli what Mr. Bioff said to you on this occasion in June? A. Why. I did.—Q. What was you answer. A. I did communicate with him. yes, but

did communicate with him, yes, but quite a bit later.

Q. Can you tell us about when?

A. It was after Mr. Bioff got into his trouble and he left flown. So that was a year and a half or two years afterwards.

A year and a half or two years afterwards.

Q. When you arrived at Mr. Berman's house, was Mr. Spilz, and Mr. Bioff, there? A. Yes.

Q: Was anything said on the occa-

Bioff, there? A. Yes alon in the occa-gious anything said on the occa-gious had you were at Mr. Berman's sign that you were at Mr. Berman's lophone you? No. sir. Wilkerson was questioned about loans he and Rossell had made to each other; stain ple none borrowed Show from Rossell and paid it duced to Bioff by Rosselli at the Vendome In 1937.

Q. Was that the time 'Variety was barred from the lots'. Asked by the court as to the materiality of the evidence, Prosecutor Kostelanetz insisted:

Wilkerson:
The questioning then turned to relations between Wilkerson and Bioff. withess was saked, In that connection even after this lalk, you had with him concerning Rosselli, you stated, did you send hi gifted. Wilkerson replied. No, Sir. Oh, I think I sent him a Christmas present; yes, sir. I think I sent him a banket of it our for a Christmas present;

mus present!

L. later was developed; that Wilkerson shad presented foil with
handkercheke, purelased in Europe,
and embroidered. Willie. Wilterson also refaelled sending Bioff-win
but couldn't recall how much.
After inquiring as to whelher
Wilkerson knew of any friendly retaltions, between infl and studio
executives. Kostelanierz asked:
Altight you were despriedut.

executives, Kostelanetz askéd:

'Alright you were dependent some extent, were you not, for advectising in your newspaper, that came from the producers?' A. I have got practically none from there,

no.

Q. Did you get any at ali? A.

a little, mostly in dribs and drass.
Preceeding Wilderson was George
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Monogram Pictures, also culled by
defense attories Christianens. Burrows testified to haying met Rossell
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districted to the control of the defendate.

Ralph Plerce Out of It

Both witnesses were called out of procedure, with consent, because of having to return to California. Al-though in nature of deposition testi-mony of both Wilkerson and Bur-

rows.

At opening of court session James D. C. Murray, chief defense counsel, moved for a quashing of the indictment against Ralph Pierce. Judge Bright acquisecd, remarking: I do not see that this man has been lied into this conspiracy and my only conclusion is that this indictinent be dismissed.

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VARIETY

Broadway

Fred Schader celebrating 50th year m snow business.

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New Haven

By Harold M. Bone

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Nate Poddooft bringing 'tee Foliate'

Areas for week of Dec. 15.

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'Xmas Packages'

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meth at the homeofice and movel the production of the production o

London

Afrique is on ENSA tour for six Captain Eddie Dowling promoted

Ben Lyon promoted from Major to Owen Nares, veteran legit actor, left around \$30,000

of around \$30,000.

Teddy Brown taking first fortnight bliday in four years.

Mrs. Sandy Powell out of the Lonon Clinic nasal operation.

Norman Lee left America and is on his way back to London via India

our counter. I must operation.

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Baltimore

By Howard A. Barman Jose Katz initiated into Saturday New Marie Lindling general publicity for local symph. Local Sindler consumary and the Joseph Local Sindler and Local Sindler a

Busker Buskek employing all-femine brigade of barkeens at, Lord Ballimore hotel. Max Addiss. Tormer pit director at Max Addiss. Tormer pit director at Fittsburgh. Stanley, a GI conductor of local WAC recruiting program on WFBR.

Marshall Field Continued from page 1 =

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Hollywood

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Dr. C. E. Kennich Meer, vice-invex, of Eastman Kodik Cir., in town on George Rigand. South , increase mercen star, guestion, with Jorean Market Meer and the Service of the Control of the

Washington

Morton Downey packing: in at the Statler.
Major Charles MacArthut a popular figure among the socialites.
Dance team of Georges & Jaina sponsoring the new night club. Jaina.
Office of Strategic Services the mecca for New York debs and so-cialites.

Office of Strategic Services the recease for New York debts and soDrew Pearson being congratulated on all gides for his capper of Cen"In Old Oklahome" goes into the Farls theater on December 10. Eyest
A local set, Herson & Person, well received on WRC, austraining, Pan-American Airways h.q. an absorate house well stocked with anaborate house well stocked with with the control of the contro

turned to rum and gim. Pienty of Maryland hooked naround, sold by the Capitol theatre got a free attraction Pridge, Morton Downey broadmitted the program of the program of

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Ralph Peer, U. S. muste publisher,

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"In his first week at the Capital Theorie Moestro Welk has coptured the heart of Broadway."

-Nick Kenny, Daily Mirror

"It's the initial Braadway appearance for the Lowrence Welk or chestra and he clicks with his novelties and some crock ornatingements. House was capocity last show Thursday (111)."

—Rose, Variety

and Horry Gourfoin hos put them in a setting which brings out every inch of their individuality."

—Ted Hoy, New York Post

"Entire turn shows up well ... o jommed house present of show caught." —Joe Cohen, Billboard



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our ability.

Others taking part in the dedication were Lawrence Tibbett, presiContinued on page 42.

LAY THAT SCRATCH SHEET DOWN, PAPA!

WINS, which broadcasts race re-sults each weekday afternoon in the was called upon the reck as a was called upon the reck as a was called upon the reation on the seven-year-old daughter of a Long Island horse player. The little girl was rushed to the hospital by neighbors, but doe-tors refused to operate without the usual formality of obtaining family

After several efforts to reach the After several efforts to reach the iri's parents failed, someone re-membered her falher's devotion to the improvement of the breed and the improvement of the breed and rupt their racing program with the urgent appeal. According to WINS staffers, the girl's father responded within 4tv minutes and the emer-gency operation was performed without further delay.

In Pitt to Get Plastered Pittsburgh, Dec. 7.

Association of Pittsburgh Hosts representing newly-organized group of local nitery owners, will take no more chances on running afoul of the liquor board by possibly serving

minors.

In the past, cafe men have been reluctant to ask age of doubtful customers for lear of antagonizing those
who might be over 21. Members are
now having signs printed and placed
prominently over their doorways.
They read: You Must Be 21 Years
of Age. You Must Prove It.

Radio Execs Burn As **Educators Nix Parley: Ouiz Kids Steal Show** Chicago, Dec. 7.

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Three-day asssion of the School
Broadcast Conference held here last
week proved a washout when the
Quiz Kids drew a capacity house the
opening night, while the vemainder
of the conference, which was strictly
business, averaged 35 educators per
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The three-day show, which might well be used as a showcase on 'What's Wrong with Education in (Continued on page 12)

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Funded Debt of Seven Ma jors Declines \$226,500,000 -Warners Has Paid Off \$60,000,000 Without Reorganization and May Reduce Debt By An Additional \$5,000,000

TOP CASH POSITIONS

By MORI KRUSHEN

By MORI KRUSHEN
Cash position and corporate structure of the \$2,000,000,000 motion picture industry is now the strongest in
its history and, when compared with
shows an almost unbelievable recovery.
The funded debt of seven major
companies has declined by approximately \$226,000 during the 183343 period. In some cases this reContinued on space 471:

Band Sellout For New Yr.'s Eve

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PREPARED TO FACE USO, British ENSA Plan Giant **Xmas Show for Allied Armed Forces**

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at the overseas motion pictures—and
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War Department hit back twice to War Department hit back twice to considerate the charges that officers yield, in part, by the Fox theatre, and more large monopolise the glamour part of the grant more productives and prevent the GIs. Twenty-four hours after Learnine Day had made her report to the Hollywood Victory Committee— the Hollywood Victory Committee— the Learnine Day had made her report to the Hollywood Victory Committee— the Learnine Day had made her report to the Hollywood Victory Committee— the Learning War Learning Learning War Learning War

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CAL. THEATRE SLEEPS SOLDIERS ON LEAVE

Los Angeles, Dec. 7. Sleeping accommodations for soldiers and sailors on leave are pro-



Sinatra Charms Hub Press. But Is 14-Hr. Daily House Prisoner to Snag 60G B.O.

Boston, Dec. 7. Sinatra caught the Hub off balance, it has kept it there ever since The Voice got in Wednesday aft ettnoon 11), was practically mobbed at Back Bay station (after a sound truck bad blared the exact line of bis zrivial all over town), ducked into near-by Copley Plaza, and

his arrival all over town), ducked into near-by Copley Plaza, and alled the press. The press was charmed. All the depurters and plenty of the men appeared, took a good and unin-pressed took, and asked few questions. At that point the charm set and interviewers next day led tions. At that point the charm set and interviewers next day led of with the theme. Sinatur's a good, even the control of the

to summer camp. Meantime RKO theatre operators Meantime RKO theatre operators, tormented at what the next morning would bring, awoke to find a queue of red-skirted wolverines and swoon-atras; serapbooks in one houd and lunches in the other, lined up at 5 a.m. in front of the RKO Boston. Also lined up were cops, fruant-officers—and one or two people who

Abs lined up were cop, frinard inferen-and one or two people who offeren-and one or two people who offeren-and one or two people who opening show at 10.45 didn'll draw apacity, house, the 75c top stacking plenty of ki off guard. House filled up rapilly, though, and by 11.05 p. m.) waiting lines extended around the block. Altogether, 40 cops were employed to handle the crowds, at least half of them in the contract of the crowds, at least half of them in the contract of the crowds, at least half of them in the contract of the crowds, at least half of the crowds, at least half of them in the contract of the crowds, at least half of the crowds are the crowds and the crowds at least half of the crowds are the crowds and the crowds are the crowds and the crowds are crowds a inatra through the mob.

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Film Opera for Stevens

Hollywood, Dec. 7.

tevens, Metropolitan opera inger, was signed by Lester Cowan to star in a high-budget screen op-eretta, now being scripted by Ann

Cowan production goes into work when the songbird returns from a South American tour following her commitments with the Met.

STUDIO WORKERS BUY \$40,000,000 IN BONDS

Hollywood, Dec. 7. Film workers are bought \$10. 000,000 worth ar Bonds, according to Henry Ginsberg, chairman of the Motion Picture War Filmere Committee For

New drive, with the slogan, For Christ; as, Say It. With Bonds, is expected to up the total materially before end of the year.

Saroyan Digs Up One For Pasa. to Toy With

Hollywood, Dcc. 7. William Saroyan must have been William Saroyan must have been cleaning out his trunk again. Pasa-dena Playhous which glories in world premiercs of Saroyan opera, comes up with another one Jan. 26. This one is cryptically called 'A De-cent Birth, a Happy Funeral.'

Publicity releas calls the piece 'a treatment of two men, two lives in two paths.' In the words of Gertrude Stein, 'it's two-two.'

BLOOMINGDALE TO DIRECT

Alfred Bloomingdale, currently in the Coast, is reported working ut a deal to become a producer a

77th WEEK!

KEN MURRAY'S BLACKOUTS OF 1943" itan Theatre, Hollywood, Cal

Yule Camp Tour

Volunteers for the Holiday Air-made reached a total of 15 over the wounteers for the rolled All when weekend, making half the 150 asked by the Hollywood Victory Committee to citertain the armed forces in camps, and naval stations, during are Fay Bajter, Down Reed, Leville Brooks, Jane Frazee, Marjori Rambusu, Cheryl Wallor, Marjori Rombusu, Cheryl Wallor, Marjori Rombusu, Cheryl Wallor, Marjori Rombusu, Cheryl Wallonan, Louise Basteres, Edgar Buchanan, Louise Basteres, Edgar Buchanan, Chuise Marthan, Wallon, Christ (Marjori, Marjori, Rombusu, Cheryl Wallon, Marjori, Rombusu, Cheryl Wallon, Marjori, Rombusu, Cheryl Wallon, Marjori, Rombusu, Cheryl Wallon, Marjori, Rombusu, Charles K. Feldman mer, in cooperation with USO-Camp mer, in cooperation with USO-Camp Shows execs and the War Depart-

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JEAN AUMONT PLUGS U.S. SYMPATHY FOR FRANCE

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dollpra making this defericated to
France, of which I have brought one,
intercreted in France, from the most
famous actors to the least important
singe hands or electricians. When
I left, my comrades at MGM gave
and the declared hought to have the me a number of souvenirs. They had the delicate thought to have the Lorraine Cross cograyed oo a pencil a lighter, etc. They gave me several Lorraine Crosses which I am wear-

Better Hurry 'Fore They Meet Somewhere Else

Monogram is the first to enter a candidate for the latest Front Page Derby, nominating: Mena House; the name of a Chiro hotel where diplomats eathered the other day for more of the control of the of the control

20th Holding Own On Rising Birth Rate

Hollywood, Dec. 7.
Maternity ward at 20th-Fox is doing 50-50, with three recent mothers returning to their screen chores and

New York Runaround

By Radie Harris

Nut so long ago, before Illia Chase became a radio commentator, auto-biographer and novelist, and was just devoting her taleuts exclusively to acting her agent hisband, William Murray, was doing a super-sales job

acting, her agent-husband, William Murray, was doing a super-sales job in trying to sell her for radio, After expounding her wirtness as an actress (via 'The Women'), he pulled his trump card. Her mother: Edna Woodman Chase, is edition of Vegue and through her you can get all the advance fashion hiots—a natural for

and through ner you are a woman's program.

The potential client listened attentively, and then need her? Why don't we settle for her mother?'

meconert why don't we selle, for her mointer?

Marjorie and Sherman Eving, the Seelal Registerite couple who me trying to emulate Boward Culiman as Broadway Angel No. I tilicit represent Investments being 'Oktahoma.' One Touch of Yenus, 'Jackput,' Feathers in a Gale and Senth Pacifie', Jawe decided that is angels they should spread their wines and go into preductions of their. They're always and the production of their and their

Bolger, Little All Set to Bail Out In So. Pacific When Plane Got Lost

plane with a 20-minute supply of scheduled appear with Bolger yealerday, was ill, a popul with Bolger yealerday, was ill, so he dancer served as spokesman for both. While on Guadatenat. Bolger said, he and Little heart a Jap ratio propagands little heart a Jap ratio propagand with the propagand of the propagand with the propagand of the propagand of the propagand with the Nip announcer stated was Shanty in Old Shany Town, which the Nip announcer stated was and written by Little Japk Little. The Jap spieler then tried to get the American troops homesek, with references to the U. S. and tried to get the propagand with other mon. But the effect was the opposite of what the Japs sought, said Bolger. Instead of warning to go home, the soldiers wanting to go home, the soldiers itched to fly over Tokio and drop a stick of bombs on the station beaming the show.

Stick of bomps on the stream and stage plays, for \$10-000 plane was called . Playo | Down him is due from the plane was called . Playo | Down him is due from the plane was called . Playo | Playo | Playon | Tell . Manual neither he me Little knew and the same. They had let when the Galy selled for levived. When the Galy selled for levived with the same than the professions under the same than the professions under the same than t

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Another highspot was the time they saw two Jap planes shot down (Continued on page 24)

Agent Sues Herbert For 10G on 'Kiss' Earnings

Los Angeles, Dec. 7 Laura Wilck, literary agent, fied suit against F. Hugh Herbert, writer of screen and stage plays, for \$10.000 which she claims is due from the

Gunnison Tells How Show People, Discs, Kept Up Jap Camp Morale

War-doughened internees, men as well as women, listened with tears in music was considered very interesting their cyces to a Bing Crooky records a considered very interesting their cyces to a Bing Crooky records a considered very interesting their cyces to a Bing Crooky records a considered very interesting their cycles of the cycles of their cycle

lished, an entertainment commit-te was formed to step up the prison-er's morale. Mainstays of the en-tertainment program were daily disc ressions via a public address system backed by a reserve of 3,000 res-tainment of the program of 1,000 res-tainment of 1,000 reserves of 1,000 res-tainment of 1,000 reserves of 1,000 res-lation to 1,000 reserves of 1,000 res-mand daily newscusts relating to earny size helpod the interince sur-vive the months of prison life, says Giunnison.

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for the internees there, The shows, humorously titled In-ternment Camp Spectacles, Repatriale Revie, etc., proved so p

TAX SNAG BRINGING

MERCHANDISING UPS

Indie Exhibs Argue Their Profits Should Be Nearer 15% Than 10% FACTORS FIGURE

being reported by producer-distributor companies and the fancy rentals asked this year down the line, even from the smaller companies, independent exhibitors are taking the position that their profits should average no less tran 10% and, under present conditions, should be nearer

They are also beginning to cru-sade for a higher profit allowance against rentals on percentage deals where the point system is employed and the week is broken down into lead. Some demands as high as 50°, or the rental fagure under they or system are being made. Exhibis point out that while they may show a good profit on certain even the profit of the rest, and are subject to gestional

pictures, they take a licking on others, and are subject to seasonal trends, weather conditions and other factors that affect their business and the, investments they have. Moreover, the stender profit that many make, they claim, does not take into consideration the depreciation of their properties, among other thinss. their properties, among other things, let alone the uncertainties of the future so far as operational matters are concerned as well as product quality

Admitted, however, that an aver

RKO Meets to Discuss Refund of \$9,500,000 Loan for Keith Chain

RKO Corp. board of directors met last Monday (6) at the New York homeoffice to discuss plans for rehomeoffice to discuss plans for re-inding a loan of around \$53,000.000 for the B. F. Keith chain of some life theatree. Deal, which has been un-der consideration for some time-tic consideration for some time-tor two. with the First National Bank of Boston handling the transaction. B. F. Keith first mortgage bonds now bear (from 4% to 4½% interest, Under the refunding plan the cost of carrying the loan would be re-

duced to 3-344.9.
Also coming up before the RKO board for approval Monday was the RKO Christmas bounts to theatre, exchange and homeofice employees understood that the bonus will cover theatre and exchange employees earning up to \$25 and homeofice employees earning up to \$26 and homeofice employees earning up to \$27 and homeofice employees earning up to \$28 and homeofice employees earning up to \$28 and homeofice employees earning up to \$30 employees, exclusing the plan guidance of the plan guidance in the pl

PAR LOADED WITH NINE FILMS GOING

Hollywood, Dec. 7. Nine productions will erowd Paramount's facilities to capacity this mounts facilities to capacity this week with the addition of The Road to Utopia' and Gambler's Choice.

Seven more are before the cameras an mine in various stages of editing, including three in Technicalconductors.

Oscars Will Get Public 0.0. During the Awards Hollywood, ec. 7. General public, at least 7 o

thein, will sit in for first time at Oscar award , ceremonies of the Academy of Molion Picture Arts and Sciences, Feed with the beld Molion Picture Arts and Sciences, Feed with the beld Molion Picture Arts and Sciences, Feed with the beld Molion Picture Arts and Sciences, Feed with the beld Molion Picture Arts and Sciences, Feed with the beld Molion Picture Arts and Sciences, Feed with the beld Molion Picture Arts and Sciences, Feed with the Arts and Sciences, Feed are stated to the customary Slade of the customary Slade of the customary Slade of the customary Slade of the science of the feed with the feed

No Horror on Sat.

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H'wood 0.0.s Air **Shows for Filming**

Top-ranking radio shows are more and more getting the 0.0 from picand more getting the 0.0 from picputing shows with high Crossleys before the cameras. Most recent program to get a film offer is Phil Baker's 'Take 11 or Leave II.' on DBs for Evershairp. Al Rogell, Republic producer: is currently in Rogell, Republic producer: is currently in the deal. The program of the deal of the order of the deal of the order of

the deal.
'Can You Top This?' program fea-turing Senator Ford, Joe Laurie, Jr., Harry Hershfield and Peter Donald,

turing Senator Ford, Joe Laurie, Jr., Harry Hershield and Peter Donald, recently turned down an offer from warners. Berweiter Boy. Chiego Graffen, Chiego Graffen, John States, Chiego Graffen, Jonden States, Walley and John States, Walley and John States, Walley and Gardierl, produced by Jack Skinsame company. Charles R. Rogers; indie producer, has set 'One Man's Family; the Carlyon More program, as his text to the company of the Company

interest in doing a radio version of William Saroyan's 'Human Comedy,

LOEW'S \$4 DIVVY THIS YEAR DOUBLE OF 1942

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Year-cide extra melon-slicing for Loew's. Inc., common stockholders brought total payments on these shares to \$4 this year as contrasted to \$7 engine usually pind annually contrasted to \$7 engine usually pind annually contrasted to \$7 engine usually pind annually contrasted to \$15.00 pins the usual usureterly '80 ethoy's at the meeting last week. These declarations are full line with expectations in Wall Street utility connervative on divvy distributions.

oth the regular an extra are payable Dec 31 to stockholders of record at close of business Dec. 17. Loew's had paid three quarterly dividends of 50e early previously plus one extra divey of 50e.

Bucking Motorbikes Too Risky, Riders Ask Raise "Hollywood, Dec. 7.

Because of the bir backings tha are being built up by certain pro ducing companies, real varia-tion in dating, the pre-releasing of product well in advance of national release and the uncertainty as to availability of pictures, are combining to create havor in the mapping of campaigns designed to lend mer chandising ald to film.

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Even after films have been given Even after films have been given a national release date, the value of national publicity breaks and advertising has become greatly decimated because a picture may effer in one and a national publicity and advertising lose much of their value for greatly for the publicity advertising departments the necessary for long-range publicity and publicity an

FILMS GET OK IN **DELINQUENCY** PROBE

Spencer Tracy to Play Doolittle in '30 Seconds'

Hollyword,
Metro picked Spencer Tracy to
play the rule of Jimmy Doublitle in
the sercen version of Cool Ted Lawson's beat-seller. Therry Secunds
Over Tokyo.
Sam Zimbalast is slaten to produce,
with Mercyn facro as diferiors

BACKLOGS, OTHER Sale of Korda's UA Stock Up Again On Coast: Mary Pickford's Demands

Just Ain't Any

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Hollywood, Dec. 7.
Toughest job in the production
of The Man From Frisco' at Republic is to find a leisurely shi
yard. Script demands a small bost
building plant of pro-war vinbuilding plant of pro-war vintrate of production, but all the
yards on the Pacific Coust
grown bigger and busier.

20th-Fox Looks Set for 'Victory'

Spyros Skoura. 20th-Pos prexy, may consummate a deal for the picture of the pictu

2 Lensers Killed In Gilbert Battles But Marines Got 'Story Washington, Dec. 7

Washington, Dec. 7.
Newsreel shots of the fighting on Tarawa and Makin Islands were described here last week by Elmer Davis as 'knockouts.' The OWI director also congratulated Navy public relations for the swift job of Aying the illins to this country, calling it one of the best done by any gorrunent department since the war expensed to the country of the country

Washington Dec. 7.

Molion pictures appear virtually certain of coming through with a clean bill of health in the current investigation on each distinct of the second Marine Division's photographic and the second Marine Division's photographic photographic and the second Marine Division's photographic and the second Marine Division's photographic photographic photographic photographic photographic photographic photographic photograp

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Ken Delmar, amouheed of Your,
Hit Parade for Lucky Strike, has
written a stage comedy for Frank,
Sinatin, singer of the program. Latter has read the script and likes in,
but isn't interested in a legit assignment at the prosent time, so he has
asked Delmar to submit the pility to
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RKO far possible adaptation, as a
picture. Sinatira is under contract to,
that studio. that studio

Play deals with the radio busine of

Sale of Sir Alexander Korda's in-terest in United Artists, which has come up for consideration several limes during the past year, is again being multed by the owner-members and executives of UA currently on the Coast. Matter was again sched-day (Tres.).

day (Tues.).
United Artists has not yet pur-chased Korda's stock but, as reported several times during the past year, has been negotiating.

Most important problem confront Most important problem confronting. Up owner-members at the miniment is Mary Pickford's demander for a change in the structure of the emportation. Miss Pickford wants to climinate that provision' whereby the demander of the company of the confidence of the confide

Another problem being threshed out in corrent deliberations is the David O. Selznick-Charles Chaplin situation

Ed Raftery and Grad Scars were reported bedded with colds last Monday (6), as is Carl Leserman in the cast, but meetings were sched-

STAGE TRAINING FOR PAR'S YOUNG PLAYERS

Hollywood Dec. 7.

Paramount is going into the little lheatre movement as a private enterprise to develop its own players

terprise to develop its own players and its own dramatic properties. Eddie Bracken, who still list and the still provide the first production, 'What a Life,' supported by stock players and any-body else around the lot with dramatic ambitions. Studio is negotiating for the, lease of a Hollywood house for its showcase drama, which will be open to the general public.

20th Toppers Back East

Spyros Skouras 20th-Fox prexy; Tom Conners, vp. in charge of dis-ribiution, and Hall Horne, advertis-ing-publicity director, are back in New York from the Coast. While in Hollywood they huddled with Joseph M. Schenck, executive studio head, and Darryl F. Zanuck, vp. in charge of production.

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Cold Mikes 'n' Hot Times

Plan 'Semi-Essential' Rating To **Avert Raids on Theatre Manpower**

picture business would mean that war industries would not be able to raid manpower made available to show business.

to raid manpower made available to have buriness. Purpose of vasious committees to Purpose of vasious committees to Purpose of vasious constitution to those areas where a War Manpower Commissioner is appointed. San Francisco highlighted this problem when the WMC called in Il industries to work out manpower problems but failted to the control of the

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Major Leslie R. Thompson, William White and Harry Brandt.

Hirliman Group Sets 48 Pix for Production

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Production plans of Film Classics,
Inc., were given the green light by
granchiseholders at a meeting in
N. I last week. Tentative plans call
the plant plant plant plant plant
as many action pictures.
George Hirliman, company pres,
leaves for the Coast early next year
cleaves for the Coast early next year
technical crews. Classics thus for
has been principally concerned with
reissues.

20th May Consolidate Nat'l Theatres Earnings

NaUI TREATIES PAITINGS
The next annual 20th-Fox financial report, due early in 1944, is likely to be a consolidated statement, including the National Theatres earnings. National Theatres earnings and position would thus not be shown enamerately as in the past.

position would thus not be shown separately, as in the past.
With N. T. now a wholly owned subsid of 20th-Fox, consolidated report is believed likely.
It is understood that company executives have the plan under consideration

Tough for Theatres To Take On Help

10 lake Un help Molywood, Die 7. A doughast versigter in Oskland, als more important in these warlike days than an usbrettel in a Lost Angeles film house. This more many problems handled by the War Manpower Commission in its search for a solution of the employment stabilization question in Southern motion picture theater is considered part of a 'less essential' industry. Commission rude that the gal had

part of a "test essential" industry.
Commission ruled that the gal had
lowered her essentiality by shifting
from doughnut wrangling to usheretting, on, the theory that food is
more important than films. In an
other care a theetix than films. In an
other care a theetix of the secondary
in his fancy uniform than he had
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is assistant in Chiego. These; istances illustrate how far the Manpower Commission can go in its rultigating. Here are instructions to
theatre owners; telling them. whom
they may hire:
Only those who have not been

they may hire:

Only those, who have not been employed in essential industries here, or elsewhere. Sential industries here, or elsewhere. In the sent of the sent erence card from the U. S. Employ-ment Service; any war veteran just discharged from the service, provid-ed that he has not worked in any essential industry for 60 days prior to your engaging him; anyone sent to you with a referral card from the U. S. Employment Office.

PAR'S JAS. E. PERKINS AMONG GRIPSHOLMERS

AMUNO GAILPSHULERLEN
James E. Perkins, formerly, Paramount managing director in the Orimount managing director in the Oripassengers to arrive in N. Y. last
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passengers to arrive in N. Y. last
of Cripsholm. He had been in Jap internment camps for nearly two
years. Perkins told Variety of this
long sea voyage of more than two
years. Perkins told Variety of the
for the food on the Swedish too
knick enabled him to put on weight,
Jr., Par foreign sales chief, last Fria good rest before starting his duties
in N. Y.

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Perkins, who is regarded as one of the top men in Paramount's foreign organization, will have no free organization, will not not not one of the control of the co

Skouras Names Ricketson Sturdivant Drive Aides

Charles Skouras, general chairman of the film industry's participation in the forthcoming Fourth Wan Loan, last week appointed Rick Ricketson, Denver, and B. V. Stud-vant, San Francisco, as co-chairmer

of the drive. Skouras and his co-chairme

of control.

In the control of the c

Harmon, convalescing from a seri-ous illness, was in Tucson,

Lief's Comedy May Be

Play First, Then Film Max Liet, green writer, back from the. Coast where he has been for nearly four years working for RKO and other companies, with word that paging for Everybody to Leo McCarcy and Casey Robinson. Latter two hope to do it as a Broadway legit carly next year. Lief scripted in coilab with Lattlo Vadnay. If not done as stage production. Lief into a film. Yarn is about a Brooklyn manicurist and a Maharajah.

jah.

Lief's last job on the Coast was a polish of Gogol's 'Inspector General' for S. P. Eagle, who did 'Tales of Manhatlan' for 20th-Fox.

U. S. Meticulously Laying Off Needless Censorship of Films

The American motion picture in-dustry has been remarkably free from Government censorship de-spite the strains and vicissifudes of war, it was pointed out hast Monday (ib) by Luigi Luraschi, head of the corsorship department for Para-mount currently in New York from

cersorship department for Paramount, currently in New York from the Costi states that the control of the Costi states that the control of the Costi states that control of the Costi states that the control of the Costi states that the control of the Costi states that the Cost states the Cost states that the Cos

stances.

American majors have refused, in many instances, to release U. S. product where foreign censorship would completely alter the nature of a picuct In one such case the delture. In one such case the deletions requested by the censors would have turned an anti-Nazi film into a pro-Nazi film. The picture was never released in the country where these deletions were demanded.

MARCH-WALSH TROUPE **PANIC IN PERSIAN GULF**

Persian Gult Command.
Editor, 'Variety':
In spite of sickness and the usual In spite of sickness and the usual rouble that befalls a show on the road. Fredric March and Sammy Welsh, presented by USO-Camp Shows, did a terrific job here. Play-the commands as well as estaing with the men and visiting the hospitals to give the wounded a break. March and Walsh made more men happy than probably any other show that has played there to date.

The property of the

Both of them suitered from dysen-tery and, at one station, March had to have a tooth pulled. But they wouldn't call a halt to their sched-ule. I doubt very strongly whether the men for whom they played realized that both of them were so

Walsh paced the show and was nothing short of sensational. He had the state of the s

Neal, Savage Teamed

Hollywood, Dec. 7.

Tom Neal and Ann Savage are teamed for the second time in romantic leads at Columbia in "Two-Man Submarine," starting this week.
Reccutly the pair finished top roles in "Klondike Kate" on the same lot.

er's Comedy May Be Play First, Then Film Argentina 'Neutrality' May Force Par To Hold 'Hail' Due to Anti-Jap Theme

Estate of \$3,536,207 Left By Nathanson, Can. Film Magnate

widow, two daminers, size, son, and son, Paul.

Three employees, secretary, fearing son, and son, Paul.

Three employees, secretary, fearing son, and son, and son, and son, and son fear son, and the son, and the son, and son, and and son, and and son, and a son, a Consumptives, Federation of Jewish Philanthropies, Holy Blossom Syna-gogue, Jewish Orphans Home, To-ronto General Hospital and Toronto Western Hospital.

HEFFERAN'S CHAIN NOW UP TO EIGHT THEATRES

Detroit, Dec. 7.
Starting with only one theatre a year ago. Albert Hefferan, who recently formed the H-& M Theatres by forming a partnership with John. Muzzailos, today has eight thea-

by forming a partnership with John Chuzallot. Cuday has eight thear Chuzallot. Cuday has eight thear Chuzallot. Cuday has eight thear Haffein, who first came to alternate the control of the successfully operated the Owl. a 60-scater located in a former garage in Grand Rupids, made his more mighterhood busses in that city, the Vogue, Stocking and Family. The new chain of houses in Western Michigan grew out of the Centrol of the Chuzallot, which he has seen the control of the Centrol In Coopersville.

Willkie's 6 One-Reelers Via Telenews Outlets

*First in what is intended to be a series of six one-reel shorts, with Wendell L." Wilkle discussing problems facing the present world and the post-war era, was completed for screening last week by Stunt Scheft, v.-p. of Technews Theatres. Capt. Herbert Schottel, his brother, now of Technews which has a group of newarreel theatres around the country.

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Initial subject is Trade Horizons',

Suart Schetch producer of scries, claims all pictures will be entirely will be a subject to the country of th

Continue Defense in L. A. Despite F-WC Pullout

Despite F-WC Pullout.

Les Angeles, Dec. 7.
Film houses in this area voted to continue the Theatre Defouse Bureau, regardless of the withdrawal of unique the project.

In view of the recent declaration of an all-out camping against Japan, the operators decided that the Southern California area is still a war zone and that this is no time to case luy on arthy preceduous.

Parament July 1 Provided the Act Son Provided We Hall' from release in Argentina due to the demands of the censors there that all anti-Japanese sequences be eliminated from the picture. Since the censors in Argentina due to the demands of the control of the Argentina due to the provided to the todurty. Paramenut assumes that the pro-Nazi, anti-nerican altitude is government policy and is taking the initiative in tree elimination of anti-Pascait material. Belief is that other U. S. major companies will adopt a similar attitude and that exhibs in Argentina the most profitable pictures available.

Controversy over Hall' follows

able.
Controversy over Hall follows quickly on the heels of Paramount's decision not to release Five Graves to Cairo unless the Argentine authorities recede from their position on this picture also. Paramount, in opposing the pro-Nazi attitude of the Argentine government, believes that the American

criment, bolieves that the American-picture industry will take a united stand in all similar situations. It is pointed, out in trade circles that. Argentine exhibitors need American pictures. Recognition is also taken of the fact that fully 900 or the population of Argentina is anii-Nari and atti-Japanese and honly the government seems curiously

only the government seems curiously return!

General morang U.S. ma. General morang U.S. ma. General morang U.S. ma. General morang the third to the sully to let Argentima have the benefit of using American pictures, Some 40 to 50 U.S. films are already being withheld from the Argentine to the sully to let a support the sully to the sully to the sully the sully support to the sully a sul

given for their deeds 'even though they know what they do.' 'Cairo,' Too Paramount does not like the way Argentina censored the Spanish ver-sion of. Cairo.' Paramount execs feel-that the leaning of the censors there toward the Nazi element is a bit ioo 'far-fetched and unreasonable bit ion far-fetched and unreasonable as the Argentinans object to the wording of some of the superimposed titles on the film which they claim are a reflection on their German friends. One is a title where exception is taken to the description of the character played by Erich Von Strodenstein of the Committee of th objected to is one which shows the back of a German officer's obnoxiously thick neck. Argentinians claim that German officers' do not have thick necks. There are about six us of this variety made by the Argentians. John W. Hicks, Jr., foreign head by Faramount, decided that unless the cuts are forgotten that Min will not be released there.

Circus, Ersatz Brand

Hollywood, Dec. 7.
Circus Day, an American tradition curtailed by wartime transportation regulations, will be fetched back to the sticks through the medium of the

screen by Andrew Stone in his Sen-sations of 1944.

Producer has rounded up six acts that once performed under canvas in the sawdust ring.

N.Y. to L.A. Nate Blumberg.

Nate Blumberg.
Ed Cashman.
Morrey Davidson.
Morrey Davidson.
Sgt. Richard E. Hall.
Tom Harrington.
Maj. Mann Holinerne.
Gluy Palmerton.
Bert Prager.
Maurice Rocco.
Sgt. George Rosenberg.
Jack Skirball.
Arthur Ungar.
Corp. Robert Welch.
Capt. Meredith Willson.

L.A. to N.Y.

Bill Burton Xavier Cugat, Xavier Cugat,
Brian Donley,
Stevc Edwards,
Kathryn Grayson,
John Houseman,
William Kupper,
Mona Maris,
Rodney Pantages,
Fred Quimby,
Alan Reed,
William F, Rodgers.

'SELLING IS A PLEASURE'

One National Exhib Outfit Predicted. Urged by Rodgers: Sees Unity Need

vecating one national exhibitor organization so that there would not be conflict of action. William F. Rod-gera: v.p. of Loow's in charge of the conflict of action. William F. Rod-gera: v.p. of Loow's in charge of the conflict of action. William S. Conflict of the confl

white another passes it on to the problem like from ereating industry public like from ereating industry public like from ereating industry among other things:

It is Roders's presumption that the Covernment, never intended that the thing the problem in the problem in the problem in the policy. If pursued by the theatres, eliminating variations in scales as, now charged by numerous compelitive houses. An example is one tax, while another teeks it on to a 25c admission and charges 28c. Latter in such cases often feels he should have priority on product.

Saving that Melro finds it difficult to make smaller pictures and to find a market for them now. Rodgers noted that an exhibitor may commend the problem in the proble

Mono's General Biz Out of Hollywood Works OK Sez Broidy

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Metro's Skating Find

Michael riby, Canadian skating slar current, with the Ice Follies at Madison Square Garden, N. Ya. has been signed by Metro for films. Skater, first spotted by talent seouts when the ice show opened last September in Indivxood, will be developed alone acting lines and not featured to his blade routines,

Bill Warner's Son Killed

Lt. William Gibert. Warner, son of William Warner, 20th-Fox office manager in N. Y., was killed in ac-tion in the recent battle of the Gil-bert Islands, according, to word reccived last week t week. ner is survived by his par-

Rodgers Presides At Metro's Chi Sales Meet: Study Trends

Meet; Study Trends
Opening a furniseap. Dec. is no state meeting here yested with the state of t

Presiding at the convention here also attended by leading homeoffice at least and the convention here. Rodgere, general sales manager, held a luncheon meeting with Chicago exhibitors today 'Tuesday'. He recently held similar sessions in Atlanta, Dallas and Minneapolis. At yesterday's get-locative Rodgers, in commenting on Metro's proders, and the session of the post year has a new high for the company and that 'we are continually foriging aband, both in production and sales, and will beep on servations of the session of the s

Davenport, who was a superpusive cutting rooms are doing was on it Tokyo, was introduced Monday). He will act as dvisor on '30 Seconds' which Metto will film. Second and Monday it will be will film.

'EASIEST EVER,' SAY PRODIERS

Film salesment here are reporting that 'selling' is 'a pleasure'—the easiert that it ever has been into the salesment that they work that earlies the fearful that they work that earlies the fearful that they work that earlies the salesmen. There's cording to the salesmen. There's cording to the salesmen. There's cording to the salesmen. There's the salesment is that the selling in small groups also helps to make for a salesment sharadise. The boys also helps to make for a salesment sharadise, to nate enjoying great prospectly despite to make for a salesment sharadise, to are enjoying great prospectly despite ingle feature territory. Indicative of the present condition is the fact that 20th-Fox office stands first among all the complexity of the salesment of the contribution of the salesment of t

Par Sells Two Blocks

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Paramount has closed a deal for
its first two blocks this season (19344), totalling nine pictures, with Cooperative Theatres of Michigan
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In For Trimming

Hollywood, Dec. 7. Republic's cutting rooms are doing

Cut in Proposed 20% Amusement Tax Looks Slim: Senators Unimpressed Bv Witnesses: 30% Bite on Niteries

Here We Go Again ollywood. Dec. 7.

Maureen O'Sullivan returns to the jungle after two years to resume her old status ax Johnny Weissmuller's mate.

Next of the tree-climbing series will be Turzan and the Amazons, to be produced for RKO release by Sol Lesser, with Chita the Chim featured.

Newsreelers at Front Get Film Faster Via New Raw Stock Tieup

Washington, Dec. 7.

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MINOCO'S 470TH SHORTIE

Minoco Pictures last week wound up the 470th coin machine film made in the east.

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Washington, Dec. 7, w. biz chances of having the proposed 20°1 admissions 1ax cut back hoked sour here despite an impressive array of witnesses who told the industry size of the story to the Senate Finance Committee last week. Committee members crowded the witnesses, generally, kiving them tiltle time, and occasionally held; led them to know how much longer they would speak.

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Spokesmen for the film theatres, apparently reconciled to an increase in the present tax, did not waste their time asking that the increase be entirely abolished. Instead, they suggested compromises which would not hurt as hauty.

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Lead-off man was Ed Kuykendall,
MPTOA presy, who suggested "the
absolute maximum that the theatres
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each 15c. of admission, instead of 2c. on each 10c.

Hurry Reeve, president of the Texas Theatre Owners, Inc., offered a resolution by that body for a 2c. tax on each 15c. unit of admission (Communed on page 24)

Ned Depinet Likens Sinatra to Valentino In RKO Vs. Time Suit

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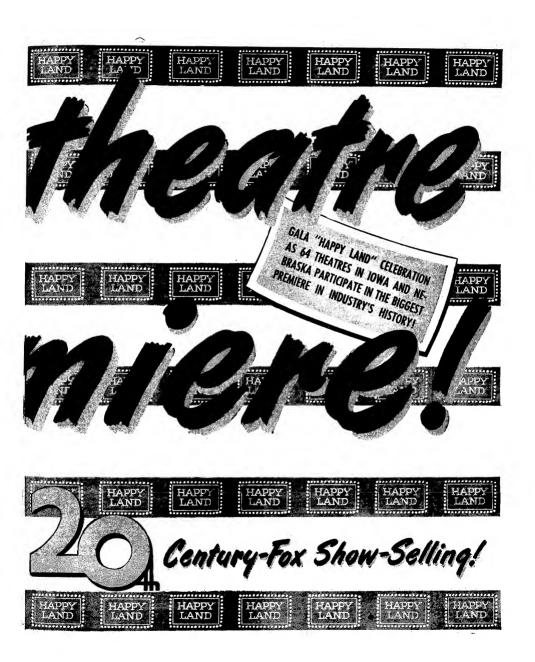
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Miniature Reviews

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dual support.

'Harvest Melody' (songs)
PRC). Corny back-to-the-farm

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Wednesday, December 8, 1943

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London, Nov. 17.

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'Crazy House' Bright \$25,000 in Chi: 'Lassie' Big 22G, 'Happy'-Withers 25G

Business continues on an even over the continues of the

Of combination houses, 'Swing fit Maisie' at Chicago coupled with arlie Spivak's orchestra on stage, ks solid \$44,000. 'Is Everybody ppy?' with Jane Withers on Orital stage will chalk up corking 5,000.

Estimates for This Week

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Apollo (B&K) (1,200; 50.85)—
"True to Life' (Par) (third week in
Loop) and 'Battle of Russia' (20th).
Fair \$7,000. Last week, 'Guadalcana'
Diary' (20th) and 'Prairie Chickens'
(UA) (2d wk), snappy \$11,000.

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Chicago (B&K) (4,000; 50-85)—
Swing Maisie' (M-G) and Charlie
Spivak orch on stage. Solid \$44,000.
Last week, True to Life' (Par) and
Phil Spitalny orch on stage. (2d wk).
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Garrick (B&K) (900; 50-85)—Gus-dianal Diary (20th) and 'Prairie Adicianal Diary (20th) and 'Prairie \$4,000.
State (Solid Control of Control of Control of Control of Control of Control (RKO) and 'Never Dull Moment' (U) (30 week in Loop). Good \$5,000. Last week, 'Fallen Sparrow' (BKO) (Interdevee on Boad way' (RKO) (Interdevee on Boad way' (RKO) (United Control of Contr

nice \$7,500.
Orlental (froquois) (3,200; 31-69)—
'Is Everybody Happy?' and Jane
Withers heading stage bill. Corking
\$25,000. Last week. Doughboys ire-land' (Col) and Blackstone magic show on stage, robust \$27,500.

ahow on stage. robust 227.50.

Palace (RKO). (2.500; 40-65)

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\$45,000.

United Artists (B&K) (1,700: 50-85)—Tassie Come Home (M-G-).

Robust \$22,000. Last week. Claudia (20th) (3d wk.) okay \$16,000.

Woods (Essaness) (1,200: 50-85)—
Son Dracular (U) and Mad Chou! (U) (2d wk.) Grand \$15,000. Last week, bangup \$18,000.

'Diary' Big 14G In Blah Pitt.

Pittsburgh, Dec. 7.

Biz hitting the skids again this week. Only one picture, 'Guadaicanal Diary' at the Harris, is doing real biz. 'Old Acquaintance' is mild-lish at the Penn. Otherwise, however, it's largely the miseries.

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Fulton (Shea) (1,700; 30-80)—Fired
Wife' (U) and 'Yanks Ahoy' (UA).
Lowest figure in some time here with
only \$4,500 likely. Last week. 'Top
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cycious cellar at \$3,500, poorest once houses opened. Last week, Vietory Thorough it Power (UA), buttal False (RKO 13,7 3.3-65)—Huppy Lond 1200, pour long to the pour long to t gct.swell \$23.500. Stillman (Loew's) (2,700; 35-55)— Girl Crazy' (M-G) (2d gwk). Hot going at \$8.500. Last week, 'Hi Diddle' (UA) average \$6.000.

First Runs on Broadway (Subject to Change)

West of Dec 9 Astor-'Cry Havoc' (M-G : (3d

week). (Reviewed in 'Variety'

Capitol-'Girl Crazy' (M-G) : (2d week). (Reviewed in '

Criterion—'Flesh and Fantasy (U) (4th week). (Reviewed in 'Variety' Globe — 'In Old Oklahoma' (Rep) (2d week); (Reviewed in Variety

Hollywood - Old Acquaint-nce (WB) (8th week), (Reviewed in 'Variety'

Music Hall—What a Woman' Col) (2d week). (Reviewed in current issue)

Palace — 'The North Star' (RKO) (6th week). (Reviewed in Variety)

Paramount - 'No Time for ove' (Par) (2d week). (Reviewed in 'Variety' 10)

Rlatto - Dancing Masters' (20th) (2d week);
(Reviewed in Vari Rivoli—'For Whom the Bell Tolls' (Par) (22d week). (Reviewed in 'Variety' July 21)

Rexy—'Happy Land' (20th), (Reviewed in 'Variety' Nov. 10: Strand — 'Northern Pursuit'

(WB) (3d week). .(Reviewed in 'Variet

Victoria - 'The North Star' (RKO) (6th week).
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'Happy Land,' Big 14G. Aces in K. C.: 'Major' 9½G, 2d

With three downtown deluxers in the hoc column this week, green rely off. The Midland again is generally off. The Midland again is Crazy heading a dual. Not far behind are the Esquire. Upflown and Fairway day, and dalers, with preems of Happy Land. Both the Arrivang day, and dalers, with preems of Happy Land. Both the and Orpheum, with I'ron Major and Orpheum, with I'ron Major both second seth, are steady.

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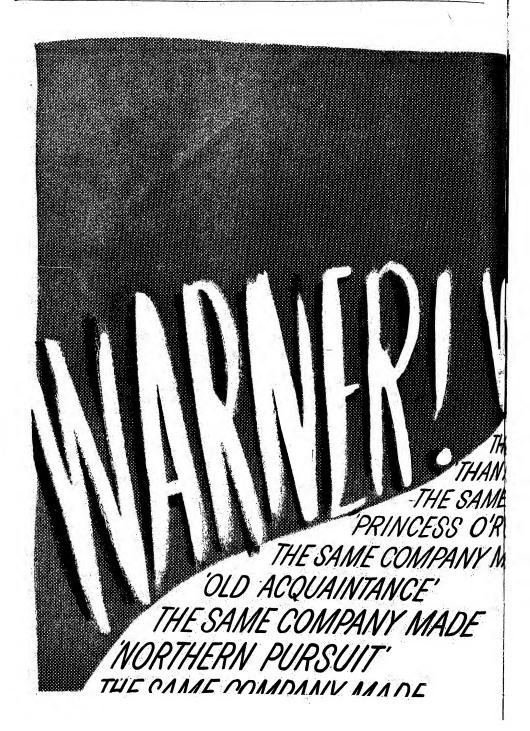
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'True to Life' Lively \$13,000 in Mild L'ville

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stimates for This Week

Brown Fourth Avenue-Loew's) (1.400: 30-50) — Rosie O'Grady' (20th) Moveover from Rialto, salis-factory \$3.500. Last week Guddal-canal Diary (20th), solid \$4.000 on

factory \$3.500. Link week Gradai-anal Dairy (1905), solid \$4.000 or Kentucky (Switow) (1,200; 15-25) (Convian), Nramb (WB) and Link Face II (Phr). Oxy \$1,700. Last Diddle; (10A) solid \$1,900. Last Diddle; (10A) solid \$1,900. Last Diddle; (10A) solid \$1,900. Last Albey "10A) (12d wk. Strong \$1,900; 30A) (10km) (10A) (10

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0)—True to Life (Par) and Coast(Command (RKO). Solid \$13,000.
Lead straight filmers. Last week
tosie O'Grady (20th), great \$15,000.

'HEAT'S' HOT \$13,000 PROVIDENCE LEADER

With 'Heal's On' at Strand, as sole new show in town, it's difficult to rate new Mae West opus. Going stroig so far: Molding own in nice second stanzas are Lady Takes a Chance' at RAO Albee, Girl Crazy at Loew's State, and weet Robie O'Grady at Majesalic.

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20th Century 11nd, 13,000: 35-65)—
North Star (RKO) (3d wk). Tepid \$7,500, even with Sat, midnight show tossed in, indicating it overstayed. Last week, splendid, \$15,000 or a bit

Sinatra-Valentino

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"Available, in addition to good stories."
The wirness stated that because of the March of Time e aranee and its wide distribution, the Time production might be pairing in 20c house in the same area, "which would cause to good the first of the playing in belief grade houses in the same area, "which would cause great injury to 9 at investment that the first company has spent in same area, "which you'd cause for production to 10 the same area, which would cause the playing house the same area, "which you'd same area," which you'd same area, "which you'd sa

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need stranger inners. Last week and 'Gildersleeve on Broadway d moveover.

Strand | Fourth Avenue' (1,400; week Top Man' (II), fine \$4,500 for 5-50)—'Cangway-Tomorrow' (RKO). Isolo film.

'Happy' Top Filmer In Omaha at So-So \$8,500

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Falcon Co-Eds' (RKO). Okay \$7,000.
Last week, 'Iron Major' (RKO) and
Dangerous Blondes' (Col), fine
\$8.300.

\$8.300. Tristates) (3.000: 41-55;—Thappy and L20th). Single featured and will go to modest \$8.500 or a bit better. Last week, Swing Maisic (M-G) plus Jimmy. Dorsey orch and revue on stage (20-65), smash \$20,000 to top town, and a bit over expectancy.

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ganization Theatre Owners Union of the Northwest and that he has applied to the National Allied States Assn. for membership in that group. This will be the first exhib unit to use the word 'union.' Steffer, who arrived in N. Y. Sattlee, who arrived in N. Y. Sattlee, who arrived in N. Y. Sattlee, and the step of the things of the state of the

Stelles program with the distribu-tors.

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'Dood It'-'Gangway' Boff \$27,000 In Detroit: 'Old Okla.' Fancy \$10.500

LAST FEATURE AT 5 A.M. FOR SWING-SHIFT FANS

Detroit; 'Old Okla.' Fancy \$10,500

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Toledo, Dec. 7.

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After several weeks of operating on a 24-hour-a-day film schedule from Wednesday missississ. from Wednesday midnight, when the program was changed, to Thursday midnight, Theodore Teschner, mannger of Loew's Valentine, has found that swing-shift an defens workers usually leave the result, the policy has been altered result, the policy has been allered to hat it niew flux will open, as previously, at 12:30 Thursday morning, but the last feature for, the morning will go on at 5 am. Then, the house will be closed until 11 am, when the recular daily schedule for test of the week is resumed.

The rest of the week is resumed, the state of the rest of the conder has they were. Fight from their jobs, Lower, Valentine has had one paratively Jarge all-night fatendance which, by some Thursday mornings, has reached 15:00. Teschiner said. Indeedially, the nick hours give the doctor of sleep.

Philadelphia, Dec. 7: War Labor, Board has okayed increases up 1.0 50c an hour for service workers employed in Stan-ley-Warner theatres in Pennsylvania; Delawure and Southern New Jer-

Sey.

Sharing the increases are 350 employees in Philiy. Wilmington, Del., Lancester, Chester, Ambler, West Cirester, Willow Grove, Prospect Park, all. in Pennsylvania, and Palmyra, Red Lion, Pleasantville, and Allantic City, all in N. J.

The increases were supposed and

Atlantic City, all in N. J.

The increases were approved under the WLB's sub-standard policy which permits employers to increase the hourly of employees to the 50-cent level. Average hourly earnings for this group, of workers in the Warner Co. is now 43 cents.

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Studio Contracts

Hollywood Dec. 7.

Judith Gibson: player option picked up by Pairamoud.

Joseph Joseph renewed as music arranger at araniount. James Gleason drew-new contract

Ann. Doran mass.
Peramount.
Mary Ganly's minor contract with
Metro approved by court.

'No Time Love' Terrif \$20,000, Newark's Best

Newark, Dec.
No Time for Love, at Paramounl, got away to a great start Friday (3) and made bo. history here over the weekend. Comedy is only new product currently. Repeaters, including Princess ORourke' and Lassi Come Home. both collecting dividends.

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STORY BUYS

Hellywood, Dec. 7. 20th-Fox bought Dragonwyck, de of up-state New York in 1844, by

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ciril Cray and Old Acquaint-ence are downlown bell ringers on holdover, with an sign of a Christ-max bull. Latier was sugged by crix, but didn't had back biz. But Whisting in Brootkyn, and added by Duminger topping vaude at Cap-tlob.

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Satimates for This Week.
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Whistling Brooklys (46-7) with
Looks like fine \$3.000. Last week
Faller Sparrow (RIGO) with vaude,
good \$22.000.
Columbia (Locw) (1,200: 30-66)—
Claudia (2011), Healthy \$7.500.

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altimore. Dec. 7.
Full list of ho product, but 'Corvette K. 225', given a strong ballyhoo at Ketih's, is fairing very well among newcomers. Also attracting some trade is 'The Heat's On', plus vaude, at the combo Hipp.

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Century (Loew's-UA) (3,000, 17-55)—Girl Cray (M-G) 12d wk).

Steady \$13,000 after bullish openes at \$22,700.

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Hippodrome (Rappaport) (2.240
17-66)—Heat's On' (Col) plus vaude
Good \$17.000. Last week, Iron Major" (RKO) and vaude, okay \$16,800 Kelth! (Schanberger) (2,460: 17-55)—Corvette K-225' (U). Excellent \$14,000. Last week, True to Life (U), fairish \$9,700.

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(U), fatrish \$9.700.

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Stanley (WB) 13.800; 20-60)—(Aequaintance; 1WB) (2d wk). I bust \$14.000 after wham \$21.700 first week.

Seattle Feels Slump But 'Pursuit' Speedy 15G; 'Paris' N.G. 9G

New fare rules the roost this week, but colder weather and pre-holiday shopping is 5 owing up the bo. parade this week. Nearly all spots hit, but Northern Pursuit looks stout at the Paramount.

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Major'-Vaude Plus Chester (2d) Sock S32,500, Frisco; Diary' Huge 29G, H.O. \$32,500, Frisco; Diary' Huge 29G, H.O. San Francisco, De. 7. Town is full of holdovers and reliance of the filling of the f \$41,500, 2 Spots: Whistling' 39G. Four. 'Top Man' 321/3G, 'Courage' N.G. 271/3G

Yuletide and skindpy screenfare i.e. firstram are holding down b.o. score way below last, work, nor of the leasen's best. Of the two newconers, 'His Butler's Sister' is doing all right by the Palece but, 'Hoppy Land' is disappointing at the Capitol. 'Combo Albev. the burse' big house, continues, strong, with 'Man Joseph Combo, 'Don's Combo, Disabet, 'Don's Combo, Disabet, 'Don's Combo, Disabet, 'La Uris and 'Old Accusalization' at Lyris and 'Old Accusalization'. Yuletide and skimpy

this week with socko \$41,500 at two Paramount theatres, and three-week stay at two spots already indicated. Picture backed by heavy ad stay at two spotts and the pricture backed by heavy ad campaign put on by Republic which is paying off solidly at wickets. With the exception of 'Old Acquaintance,' heavy 446 500 at three War-

'In Old Oklahoma' is pacing oiz

clocking happy \$40.500 at three War-ner louses, boxoffice returns are definitely on down grade currently with not too much aid from tity

debuttey on with aid front with not loo much aid front with not loo much aid front with aid front Downlinder at four with Man from Downlinder at four ter than \$39,000, while Tho Man't suffering from this uffish raped tered with only an-as \$25,000 in iro of suffering from this uffish raped tered with only an-as \$25,000 in iro of suffering from Conde Jano is disappointing, poor \$27,000 for Panispear Conde Also is disappointed to the suffering from the suffering from the suffering term of the suffering terror of the suffering term of the suffering term of the suffering

NATIONAL BOXOFFICE SURVEY

ice is sugging quite generally this week, with usual pre-Xmas factors blamed. Leading newcomers appear to be 'No' For Love'. (Par). Happy (20th). Sister 'Ul while 'What a Woman'

appear to be No. For Love. (Par.: Happy (20th).

Solice: 'Ut while 'What a Woman' (Colt. 'Cross' of Lorraine' 'M-G. and 'Whistling in Brooklen' iM-G citier are spidly or not lessed enough to show real strength. Downlend is showing up several suspected week sisters. Action, 'Morthern Person' AWB., 'Iron Major' (RIC). 'Ton Man' Ut. Giosalize and Diary' (Math. 'Gif' (Love.') AUC, Iron (Old Ohlahoma' (Rep.) 'Princes of Routice' (WB., Allony, Concelled). 'To the state of th

following big \$8.500 first sesh, trace's \$CT (2.300, 3.67)—Army Law's \$CT (2.300, 3.60)—Army Law's \$CT

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS, SHOWN

Illness Halts Film Racket Trial: Union Exec Admits Hiring Lepke

Illness of John Rosselli and Paul De Lucia, two of the remaining seven defendants in the million-dollar film shakedown trial, precipilated recess of the trial after a brief ession yesterday (Tuesa.) After hearing two witnesses called by the defense in behalf of defendant. Louis Kaufman, Judge. John Bright adjourned trial until today (Wed.). Other defendants on trial before the common of the defendants of the def tated recess of the trial after a brice

Frank Phelps, labor relations cot tact for Warner Bros., was called b M. Wegeman, of counsel for Kau M. Wegeman, of counsel for Kauf-man, to refute testimony previously given by Willie Biof concerning Kaufman. Prolips testified that he having trouble with Kaufman and in fact denied every part of Bioff's testimony concerning him and Kauf-man in labor relations dealings. He did state that Bioff phoned him while the Closest and asked him to try and get together with Bauf while the Closest and saked him to try and get together with Raufman.

Gave Him Brushoff Q. 'And what did you do in regard

to this?"
A. 'Brushed him off.

A. Brushed him on:

Q. Did Kaufman ever threaten to call a strike while new contract negotiations were pending—or a any other time?'

A. 'No.'
Q. 'Did Kaufman ever ask for any

There was no cross-examination of his witness by Special Prosecutor foris Kostelanetz.

this winess by operating the president period was the profile with the president former president the president former presid

Buchalter while there. This also was to refute testimony given by Bioff.
Kostelanetz took over cross-examination of witness and got admission that Sherman had paid Buchalter \$2,000 to act as his bodyguard at convention. When asked why, Sherman stated his life had been threat-ened. Kostelanetz continued cross

Gifted Kaufman Plenty
During Monday's (6) session defense called and examined witnesses, all either members or ofnesses, all either members or of-fecers of Newark Local, to refut pre-vious testimony given by Andrew J. Roach and two other witnesses that the defendant Kaufmän at a meet-ing of the local said: There are a lot of people who would like to see me In jail. I'll be around when they are dead—and they won't die a na-tural death.' The witnesses stated had attended specified meeting they had attended specified meeting but denied hearing Kaufman make any such remarks. Some said he had commented on 'people would like to see me in jail' sans the alleged threatening remarks. Roach has since been held on perjury

Calls Bloff 'Producers' Man' Calls Bioff Producers Man'
Herbert Sorrell, Business agent for
Painters' Local 644, testifying at Friday's (3) session pictured Willie
Bioff as a labor leader whose jurisdiction was with the producers' and
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Bilk rella of '13' Strike
Lew Bilk, former official of the Los Angeles, IATSE local, practically admitted being a 'toog' of Gov' Willes Dr. C. Murray, which country when other of the west coast unions respectively of the west coast unions respectively. Andrew J. Roach, government withwhen other of the west coast unions res, was recalled by determe and article. He testified that he had not only been liaison for 'Wille, the trial.

Disney's Industrial Pix O.O.; Huddling in Toledo Toledo, Dec.

Watt isney, who came here huddle with Owens-Illinois Glass Co. executives, is reported exploring the possibilities of industrial film subjects in the post-war era. Disney, who has been working almost 100% in turning out government educational subjects to sid the war effort, talked, possibilities of animated cartoons with the glass company officials.

Disney, in making a study of in-dustrial field, is checking here re-garding films being used for training and entertainment of plant workers

Guttman-20th Set Prod. Deal

Minnespolis, Dec. 7. Following a threating out of the North Central Allied charge that Duth-Fox took "reprisals", against its president, Donald Guttman, because the Contral C Minneapolis, Dec. 7.

zuil. 'Guttman then negotiated for the Fox product and quickly agreed on terms.

The same North Central Allied charges involving Guttman were made against Mr-G-M, W. P. Rodgers, go into the matter white here this month, but illness prevented scheduled conferences with Guttman and other independent leaders. He now has promised to contact North Central Allied as soon as his health will extranar circuit is without M-G product.

incre a U. S. attorney by the name of Thomas E. Devey functioning in New York, at that time A. "Did you go to him when your life was ihreatened?" A. "No." O'Did you go to him when your life was ihreatened? "A. "No." O'Did you go to him when your life was ihreatened? "A. "No." O'Did you go to him when your life was ihreatened? "A. "No." O'Did you go to him when your life was ihreatened? "A. "No." O'Did you go to him when your life was ihreatened? "A. "No." O'Did you go to him when your life was in the state of the life and this." A. "Yes." It was at the right man to handle this." A. "Yes." It was at this point that Judge Bright had been apprised of the life so of Rosselli and De Locic and granted and the state of the life of the

must. Putn City independent and the most open control of the refusal of the exhibitors in question to yield to perentage.

Among the pictures on the unofficial blacklist are 'Stage Door Canteen', This Is the Army' and For Whom the Bell Tolls,' which were samong the biggest grossers down-box and the control of the contro

town.

As usual, however, the majority of the Minneapolis and St. Paul independents, who clamor loudly against percentage, have lost no time inking MrG-M gontracts although the deal, as usual, includes a number of shar-

as usual, includes a number of sharing pictures.

With a 'few exceptions, the Twin
City independents have surrendered
to 20th-Fox on percentage and
finally broke down and bought
RKO's 'Pride of the Yankees.' Paramount also has succeeded in making
a number of percentage deals.

Bioff on Auction Block

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The last chapter in the suga of
Willie Bioff, King For Day' was
written on the auction page of, the
downtown L. A. dullies. Under hammer goes the last of the hoodium's
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His valley ranch was sold some

Mob Link Forces Chicago Booth Officials to Quit

Chicago, Dec. 7. Months of bitler dissension tween the membership and of-ficials of the Chicago Motion Picture Operators Union, Local 110, came t a stormy climax al a specially called a stormy chimax at a specially called meeting last week when all officers were forced to resign. They had previously been suspended by Rich-ard F. Walsh, IATSE president, pending the hearing.

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Walsh promised that nominations for new officers would be held the first Thursday in January and an election, held in February. Meantime, the local's affairs are under his time, the local's affairsore under his direction, assisted by Felix Snow, IATSE vicepresident, and Harry Ragen, who was appointed assistant business agent of the local several presideal, was forced to relinquish the job after new bylaws were passed preventing officers from holding two offices at the same time. Under International rules the relection. It's doubtful they'll be election. It's doubtful they'll be given consideration in view of accu-

election. It's doubtful they'll be given consideration in view of accugiven consideration in view of accu-sations by members that a number of them were under mob rule. In the recently, filed \$5,000,000 accounting suit it was charged they made ques-tionable deals of all kinds, with mobsters, with theatre owners and among themselves for their own personal gain.

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moke of battle had cleared those who found them-selves out of executive lobs were Peter Shayne, president, Glenn Sweeney, v.p.; Clarence J. Jalas, secretary-fressurer; John P. Smith, business agent, and board members James Cisco, Joseph Bernstein, and business agent, and board members James Cisco, Joseph Bernstein and George Karg. At first Shayne re-fused to resign but when Walsh as-sured him that though he couldn't be forced to quit, 'other steps were possible'. Shayne followed the rest with his resignation.

JOE COOPER MAY NOW **EXAM PAR OFFICIALS**

Joseph H. Oosep, western theatre operator, who has undergone examination in two Paramount suits brought against him, is himself now paramount suits brought against him, is himself now locally a suit of the Par action against him and three Colorade corporations. Federal Judge Murray, Hulbert signed the order Friday 137. The Colorade suit is one in which Par seeks to determine the limit of the Colorade corporation in which Par seeks to determine the colorade suits one in which Par seeks to determine the colorade suits one in which Par seeks to determine the colorade suits in question.

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In connection with Cooper's \$250.00 recovery action against Par. Fed. 2000 recovery action against Par. Fed. 2000 recovery action against Par. Fed. 2000 recovery action 200 In connection with Cooper's \$250.

'Sign of Cross' Reissued

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N. Y. Theatre Managers Vested With Arrest Power in Vandalism Drive

Trans-Lux May Add N.E. Chain

Known to be interested in expand-ing, the Trans-Luc circuit, presently operating seven newsreel houses, is reported discussing a deal for the acquisition of theatter controlled by Harold Stoneham, head of the Inter-state Circuit of New England, which has 35 theatres in 25 situations, in-cluding the Boston and New Haven keys. One account is that T-L is interested in taking over around 15 houses of this large independent

The Interstate circuit operates in The Interstate circuit operates in Massachusetts, Connecticut, Vermont and New Hampshire. Stoneman, who at one time wasqassociated with Sr. A. Lynch, former southern circuit tycoon, whose Lynch circuit was taken over by Paramount when and who later operated Paris Miami theatres, is a partner with T-L in the Boston newareol house which is a part of its small circuit. The others are four in N. Y. and singletons in Philadelphia and Wahnigton. It interests with Harry Brandt and Dave Weinstock in the Normandic, N. Y.

N. Y.

Though reported to have been talked about, the board of directors of Trans-Lux, which meets once monthly, has not as yet brought the matter-of a deal with Stoneman up on its agenda; according to one of the T-L directors.

the T-L directors.
Edward Anson, who with Mrs.
Anson perished in the Cocoanut
Grove, Boston, fire, was a partner in
the Interstate circuit with Stong-

Disney Footage for '44 Tops This Year's Record

Hollywood, Dec. Walt Disney studio is winding up 1943 with more foolage than any previous year in its history, and a heavy, increase slated for 1944. More than 40 subjects, including entertainment and service training pictures, are listed for next year, with probable additions as the months go by. All the entertainment films on the lot will be made in Technicolor for RKO release. with more footage than

U. of Chi (Britannica) Closes for Erpi Films

University of Chicago last week closed deal for the purchase of Erro Classroom Films, Inc., bringing that educational institution into the field of educational film products educational institution into the field of educational film production. Understood that one of the important factors in the deal was Marshall Falcilla millionaire publisher, of the Fig. 1 and 1

Off With a Bang

Hollywood, Dec. 7.

Edmund Hartmann draws 'High
Spirlts,' next Obsen and Johnson picture, as first assignment under his
recent producer contract at Universal.

2d Degree Murder Charge

Vs. Mgr. Off Until Jan.

Menphia Dec., 1.

John Ealon, Pedicophia Dec., 1.

John Ealon, nto vents damage ing cigarets into places where de

places where damage may be wrought.

At the Friday meeting, Moss also cautioned theatres 'against' leaving where it is might prove a fire lazard where it might prove a fire lazard and added responsibility of managers in preventing fires. Not only, in N. Y. out in many other parts of the country, various fires are bechievously by juve delinquent.

Also, in connection with warring against the delinquents, the License department, the Board of Education and the theatres are trying to break, but the beauty of the board of Education and the theatres are trying to break by lides under 18 who are more companied by parents or are dithing school in order to go to show, Various downtown theatres getting school in order to go to show, Various downtown theatres getting a sunal strong kin play, are knock-

Various downtown theatres getting a usual strong kid play, are knocking as many as 30 to 40 off the lines, at one clip-but managers point out it is now very difficult to judge the ages of kids and some are probably being refused admission or ejected from theatres who are actually over 16. Most of the kids can't prove how old they are.

No 9 P.M. St. Louis, Dec.

No 9 F.M.

An ordinance set Louis. Dec.

An ordinance set Louis of the confew law that would chase had off the
streets at 9 p.m. and designed to curb
juve delinquency fell by the wayside, last week, then the Board of
the hearing on the ments of the idea
was held and a fisicker house represervantive in the person of Fred
Wehrenberg, owner of a chain of in
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ciause. A local shirt manufacturer who has interested himself in the rehabilitation of first offender juves objected to the whole measure on the ground that you cannot control morals by legislation. There was such a difference of opinion that the city solons decided the let the cops do their best until such; time as another hue and cry against juve deliberation of the control of

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Studenville, O. Dec. 7.
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M-G Readies 'Follies' To Head Off Shortage

Metro is lining up production sets and costumes for Ziegeled Follies and Ziegeled Follies a



XAVIER CUGAT



COMPLETED

THE HEAT IS ON

WITH MAE WEST (Columbia)

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TWO SISTERS AND A SAILOR

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Raymond Scott's Orch (18), Ladd
Lyons (2), Bea Wain, Jackie Miles,
A! Dexter (6): 'Girl' Crazy' (M-G),
reviewed in 'Variety,' Aug. 4, '43.

with five cowboy musicians behind tim. Al Dexter represents, at the common time of the co

alvo-rater, and it Gaby had an encore up his aleeve he could have pulled it here to good advantage. He leaves een hungry, but plenty happy changes one mild cross-free paper with Raiph Sanford, bringing in the heprishings, Actress appears to be more of a looker on the situer sheet, but, looks or no, on the situer sheet, but, looks or no, or lail that's been pairmed off on her at a script. Too bod, hecause she rate, lines would undoubtedly click. Full house at anpoper show the situation of the si

IKO, Boston

Frank Sinatra, 3 Welles, Marty May Jan Savitt's Orch (22); 'Falcon and Co-Ed' (RKO).

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Music Hall, N. Y.

Music Hall, N. V. Music Rid Symphony Orch directed by Erio Rappe (Frails Noulchi and Jistine Silver, associate conductors); produced by Leon Contents Wille Van and Merco Montedora, features Hilds Eckier, Corps de Balle, Dorolly Keller, George Young, Glee Cité, Cardial Hulyurood Blondes (J. Rochetts, Hulyurood Blondes

For sheer production values it's about time that he Radio City Mor. I have used the Radio City Mor. Occurse, actually there can be no discovery of something that has been focurse, actually there can be no discovery of something that has been the result of the result o

Orpheum, Mpls. Minueapolis, Dec: Jimmy Dorsey Orch (17) with Kitty Kallen and Paul Carlen, PeyLeg. Bates, Coley Worth & Marcia; Top Man' (U).

satile funny man who does many dif-ferent kinds of laugh-provoking things and all of them well. He and his feminine partner stop the show commedy discovering, patter and commedy discovering, patter and "King Porter Stomp' is a sufficient-ty torrid finisher for the hot show, Lower, floor practically filled for cpening matince." Rees.

Earle, Philly

Philadelphia, Dec. 3.
Laurence Welk Orch with Bobby
Beers, Japine Walton, Holly Swanson,
Eddie White, iamond Bros. 'Is
Everybody Happy' (Col).

There's very little marquee value in current lineup at the Earle, Only one familiar to Philly theatregors is Eddie White, who has been a household-name to local cafe habitues and vaude-devotees for several decades despite the guy's youthful appearance.

white is making his first public appearance since his return from a six. months—20,000 mile USO—Camps tour in the South Pacific. His following in Philly the's is native son) is giving him a royal welcome.

Lamens now in the Devote Assenting the Son is giving him a royal welcome. It is not to be a son in the son is giving him a royal welcome. It is not to be a son in the son in th

and "Little Did I Know to fair ap-places. In Celebrary are Bob Ladd. Other sailly knows how to best the skins. Maestro Welk, who performs for the accordion, and folly Swan-son, giant basi-pounder, who cults up-gles in a corny, barn dance routine which makes up the band's finalic, to the best of the control of the performance of the control of the performance of the control of the side of the control of the control of the control of the control of the side of the control of the control dance a bit, clown, cut up and catch laughs en route.

Loew's State, N. Y. Loew's State, N. Y.
Al Trace & Silly Symphonists (9)
with Toni Arden; Patricia Bowman,
Little Tough Guys (2), Buster
Shaver with Olive & George, Wild'
Bill Ames, Jerry & Jane Brandoio,
Mayry & Ruby Brach, Ruby Zwerling House Orch, 'The Cross of Lormaine' (M. G), reviewed in Variety,'
Oct. 11, 49.

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National, L'ville

Cavalende of Stars voit Cy. Landry. Caprino Sisters. Novellos, Beth Dodge, Gillette & Richards, Dorolly Byton Dancers. Earle Keller's House Orch. (12); Girl From Monterrey (PRC).

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Majestle, San Antonio,
San Atonio, Dec. li
Hary Hoderd', Hollywood Piul
U Curie Orderd', Hollywood Piul
East Piul Mr. Ballantine-Al Cordon,
Larry Stneri; Bob & Beverly, Show
Orch (14), under direction of Earl;
Fired Wife' (U).

As a prelude to the Winter show scason, Interstate Circuit booked, this revue through its houses with a near return at the box office. It's at well rounded 80 minute show with plenty of lookers chorus and a

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Hipp. Raito

Baltimore, Dec. 5.

Elton Britt. 3 Reddingtons. Hector
& Pals. Roy Rogers. Gallagher (Jack
Kenny) & Shean. Felice, Iula and
House Orch (12); The Heat's On'
(Co)).

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Chicago, Dec. 3.

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Buckley; 'Is Everybody Happy.''
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Aristocrats (4), Harry Claylon: Voice
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Oren; Danger, Women Work
URC).

There is plenty of color music, dancing and other fare in this typical A. B. Marcus attraction, one of the most elaborate shows to pluy here since change of pulicy. It's the general effect that hit's you in the eye rather than any individual performer.

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of laughs from an audience that con
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nongers and a large homeoffice sales delegation convened in Chioago Monday (6), with district managers from all over the country attending, to discuss sales policies and the next group of pictures to be sold.



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Dr. Leo Handel, Market Researcher, made a survey of Advertising for M.G.M. and found that...

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RKO Plans Turning Back Number Of Houses to Indies: Other Theatre Briefs

RKO is planning to turn back to Recy. Crystal City. Mo, is visiting independent theater operations and write and so in Artisona where the various parts of the U. S. which the chain has held on lease but has not been operating.

chain has held on lease but has not been operating. Offers from the individual operators of these houses are under consoment there appears to be a strong likelihood that the theatres under docusion will be sold to independ an operators. Understood that then the the things the consomend of the consomend the consomend of the consoners of the consomend of the consoners of the cons

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Minneapolis, Dec. 7.
in obtaining necessary readying the 4,000-seat relays in abitating necessary large for the properties of the prop in

ing the World—it's anticipated that the lone Singer house, the Orpheum, will have to depend more on stage shows to keep in the boxoftier run-ning. As far as film product is con-cerned, it is likely to be at a big disadvantage in competition with the many Paramount chain theatres.

Lexington, St. Loo, Sold St. Louis, Dec. 7. Second indic nahe to change own-or control of the control of the con-cept of the control of the con-cept of the control of the con-cept of the control of the con-trol of the con-trol of the control of the con-trol of the con-t Barney Rosential, mosager of the St. Louise Francis for Mongare The Patters, that closed a deal with Harry Blurre, which was the Miller, conver of the Miller, Edward and the Miller, which was the Miller of the Miller Blurre, and t

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Theatre's Facelitt
The Canitol, WB downtowner,
closed for faceliting, Manager Andy
Sette will reopen Dec. 24 with 'His
Butler's Sister, Removal of stage
has just added 74 seats. Current
project entails painting, inside and
out, and redecoration of rest rooms.

Theatre Damaged by Fire

The Little Danased by Fire Graham, Tease, Dec. 7. The Littlerty, swined and operated here is by J. Williss, seems of the Putter Theatre circuit, has organized an agency which now is booking rarily closed pending plans of reliance to the control of the control o

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Rogers Vs. Antry Hypos Biz

All of Which Makes Good Trailer for Warners' Pic

St. Louis, Dec. 7.

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In Injun Jim's cave at Hamitial, Mo, near here, where Tom Sawyer and Becky Thather, Mark Twain's immortal characters, had their hair-raising experiences, a motion picture of Samuel L. Clemens was shown that week A group of 2 school kiddles, costumed as the characters was shown the control of the second of the second

The pix were made by the late Thomas A. Edison at Hartfurd, Conn., and the showing was a feature of the 108th anniversary of the humorist's birthday at Florida, Mo., a short distance from Hannibal where he spent his early life.

Cut in Lithos, Posters. Not Worrying Pix Biz Since Use Is Curtailed

has been received by enstern nester and accessories companies, information , sibe Government with severely restrict lith and posters severely restrict lith and posters at the turn of the new year is not causing much warry among execuives in this field.

They point out that outdoor sheet-They point out that outdoor sheet-ing from one's up to 24-sheets are ing from one's up to 24-sheets are vivirbually extinct now and that not as much lithograph material is used in lobbies anymore. Outdoor adver-tising for pictures has one by the boards largely as result of restricted car travel; and dimoits or brownouts, which lieve minimized the value of this type of merchandistin.

which have minimized the value of this type of merchandising. Under the new restrictions, the use of littles and outdoor preters with banks second and essential, mo-dustries third, while if there's any-bing left (the pix industry, among others, is welchore to it. others, is welchore to it. distriction of the companies, a painted tarber than a parted board ran be used, no paper being required, with no hardship as for as paint is con-article available.

WILBY-KINCEY INTO THE POSTER BIZ ALSO

Robert B. Wilby and Harold F. Kincey, who hoad-the Wilby-Kincey circuit of 150 theatres in the south and southeast, logether with J. H. Harrison. a W-B operating official at Atlanta headquarters, have gone into the poster business on the side. They have formed the Robel Poster Exchange. Inc., at Atlanta.

Paramount is a partner of the Wilby-Kineey circuit, with a carying interest in the numerous subsidiary companies making up the chain.

Gillette's Financial Analysis for Barron's

Don Carle Gillette, Warner Bros.
homeoffice trade press rep, has
branched out as a financial scribe by
doing a comprehensive tome manned out as a financial scribe by doing a comprehensive tome on "Movies Profiting from Revivals" in Barron's, national business-financial weekly. Gilletti's article took tra-position up front in the Nov. 29 is-

Gillette highlighted the fact that Gillette hightighted the fael that the flin bixiness has evolved better methods of doing business as a result of wartime restrictions, both as fir distrib market and quantity in picture product. He eited that old Illims have been reissued to make additional money tor distributors and the promotion methods have im-

U Expands Quarters

Universal is nearing completion on is homeoffice ad-publicity quarter evamping and enlargement pro-

Office a ace in the "A building is being renovated to make room for additional exploitation quarters and to, entare the other Maurice Berman, routen ad-publicity chaf.

TIME LIFE'S SPLURGES

Life mag has selected Madame Curie as the "Peterproof the Week" and it carrying six mores on the film in the Dec. 13 issue. Ti is mag gives its cover to Greer Gavson on Dec. 20.

Rationing Has Its Virtues

Philadelphia, Dec. 6.

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You can't get the janitors and cleaning women at the makes in Philipsore about meak rationing. In fact some of them are hoping that the scarcity of the stuff will has forever.

Before the war the bane in the existence of the cleanup squad were the hamb onces, bunkes of ports and salami which were left under the seats—remains of the luich that mamma packed for Junior when he hiked down to the Lyrie tor a Saturday mattor.

Today it's heaven. Nothing but candy wrappers, other dobrs which je easy to chopse of.

Inside Stuff—Pictures

Film actors who have left the Warners lot to Juin the armed forces are getting more fan mail now than they ever got when they were parading in front of a camera. Biggest increase is mailed to Ronald Reagan, now wearing two bors in the Army.

Second in postal speed-up goes to Gig Young since he launched i the Cosst Guard. Other fan acceleration has been registered by Jettree Lenn, Warne Moris, Herbort Anderson, Coraye Campeau, Keth Doughs, Charles, Drake, Ross Fond, Juhn Forsethe, Arthur Kennedt, Harry Lewi and Ray Mollysmory, now jo uniform and far from the camera.

Current issue of Liberty mag carcies a special article about Howard Dietz titled, 'He Makes the Stars Sbine,' Written by Edward Hutchings, Jr., article editor for Liberty, it gives background of Dietz' as p.a. for Goldwyn and later MGM.

Article hints Dietz, as coiner of phrases, was instigator of famous G wynisms such as incident when the producer ordered his office staff to throw out a tremendous file of movigana, but suggested they keep a curbon of a carbon of a carbon of the carbon o

about film stars who plan to go overseas to entertain the is causing a lot of annovance in Army circles. On more than une occasion the War, Dept. has cancelled overseast trips because of over-

occasion the war, pept, has called oversion rips occasion of sections resulting agenty.

The Army doesn't care how much the flacks broadcast about visits to training camps in the U. S. A., but when they publicize impending trips abroad it means a sodden clamp-down by the Army.

An indication of how far excluding basses are reaching in order to fill vacancies caused by war is pointed up in the hiring of a golf chamb for a booking department job in the Paraimont branch at Albany, N. Y. Par has signed up Tom Creavy, golf pro let the Albany Country club, to try, his hand at drives and pitches from a booker's desk. Creavy wor his National P.C.A. Championship in 1931, but recently was forced to retire from the links a result of an illness.

New York Theatres



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St. Louis Theatre Owners Put WLB On Spot in Deciding on Stagehands

a humber of St. dealt a ho. ase exhibs who are Louis flicker age increase demand envaged i Stage Hands' Union Local No. 6 h IATSE adiliate. The exhlbs. ppealing to the WLB contend that with the nation engaged increasing demand

for essential workers the stagehands should not be permitted to continue their practice of working only while the flicker hous shows are in prog-

ress.

The exhibs als assert they can get along with fewer streemans than are now enindeed because of union demands. At a recent power with above conciliator texes of all thimbed-down all suggestions that the work-ine hours of the grippers, be resurranged.

If its demanding a 15% increase from the present \$75 per week wage scale and vacations with pay.

lights. Houses involved in the present controversy are the F&M-St. Louis Amusement Co. chain; some of Fred Wehrenberg, 'those of the Ansell Bros, circuit,' the Schuchart-Levin chain and Loew's two down-town houses.

town houses.

Exorbitant demands of the grip-pers is said to have blocked efforts to revive vaude in St. Louis. Re-cently when the Ansell Bros, planned eenily when the Ansell Bros, planned to put vaude in their Empress, a 1.500-seater in midtown, the union said a dozen stagehands must be hired. The house now employs three and the quickly ditched.

in recent years the idea of reviv-ing vaude in the Shubert and Or-pheum theatres also was shelved when the demands of the grippera were considered too far out of line to make the venture a success

TRADING IN AMUS. STOX DULL DURING OCT.-NOV

Philadelphia, Dec. 7.
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Philadelphia. Dec. 7. Tradin in amscenent stocks hit a luil during the October-November period. according to the Securities & Excision produced according to the Securities & Excision and the Securities with a sale of 12:00 shares by Charles B. Rogers topping the list. Charles D. Prattaman, an officer and sale of 100 shares of common volume, the sale of 100 shares of 2000 shares of 100 shares of 2000 shares of 100 shares of 2000 shares of 100 shares

Detroit Fire

Detroit, Dec. 7.
Tenants on the 16th floor of the downtown Stroh building here were forced to evacuate when fire swept the projection room of the United Detroit Theatres.

Damage, however, was slight, being confined mostly to the projection room and consisting chiefly of lost prints.

Board has been TDF Completes Its Job, West Coast Pulls Out

Los Angeles, Dec. 7.
Charles P. Skourus, chief of Fox
West Coast Theatres, has withdrawn
his circuit from support of the Los
Angeles Theatre Defens treat augusted that the anization be dishanded.

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as result of the new negotiations in that direction will be subject to the approval of the WLB.

INTERSTATE'S \$107,481 FROM 'ARMY' PIC RUN

Army Emergency Relief Fund Is richer by \$107.481 as a result of Karl Hoblitzelle, president, and R. J. O'Donnell, v.p. and gen.-m state Circuit, Inc., presenting checks for this amount from the company and Warner Bros. Pictures to Maj

Gen. Richard Donovan, head of the Eighth Service Command in Dallas The money was receipts from the presentation of the premiere and regular engagements of " is is the Army.

admissions and a 10% rental refund

VARIETY Bring Own Heat

Bring Uwn Fleat
Regins, Sask, Dec. 6.
Odeon theatres in Vancouver,
B. C, are rinning newspaper ads
warning patrons to wear long
underwear and overcoats to their
fuelless Sunday midnight shows.
Ads read: We haven't used a
lump of coal for any midnight
show this year nor do we induce
to use extra coal at any time! We
are 100°; for coal coaservation to use extra coal at any time! We are 100% for coal conservation and for your entertainment, our faciliess midnight Sinday shows will continue. Crowds produce the heart at our faciliess Sinday midnight shows, so Join them!

More Film Cos. Mull Scophony

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Scophony, executives are repo Scophony, executives are reported as striving to keep harmons, not only with its own ranks but also with other film companies which have sought to buy stock. Thus far control of SCA has not been obtained by either Par or, General Precision (20th), separately, or combined. It seems likely that work of the companies of the picture committee, the control of the companies of the companies of the control of

'Lady' Tradeshowings Due for Local Theatres

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"A Hollywood, Dec. 7.

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premiter of the picture at the Paraaires rather than in Par comlanges or private accreening rooms.

Following Hollywood preem, picwe on, Pe. h. O also goes the the
geles, "th runs at both theatres at
regular admission scales. Tha N. Y.
engagement begins Feb. 18 at the
Paramount.

Some Exhibs Arbitrarily Cancel Where Distribs Violate Clearance

Claiming distributors are beginning to violate clearance scheduler, as to make some clearance scheduler
schilders are schiffering reactioning ridiculous and as a result, very often
rided have been eliminated or lowfacet, taking the position that with the stributor deant mind this in the avstraight be willing to waive the
availing time, they should at least be

Though not widespread, according to information, the tendency to pay less attention to clearance and make less attention to clearance and make pictures available to subsequent run theatres at an earlier date than called for under contracts, has started causing some alarm lest it Importantly disturbs existing clearance

whether or not a distributor can hold an exhib to a contract where the clearance has been violated will-ingly valuer than through oversight ingly valuer than through oversight in the contract when the contract to the contract will be a seen are who have arbitrarily refused to pick up returnes on which so-called 'pro-tection' has not been lived up to, be-lieve that they have a justifiable entitled to revised terms. Whereas yolotion or clearance in Whereas yolotion or clearance in

'Yankee Doodle'

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such pix a: "Gentleman Jim," About & Costello's 'Hit tha Ice,' etc. 'How-ever, when the Japs, long-residents of the Japs, long-residents of the Japs, long-residents of the Japs, long-residents of the Japs, learned that 'Dandy' was among the films in the ship's vault, they assigned a delegation to the skipper to requires the skipper to requires the white the ship was in Jap waters he while the ship was in Jap waters he

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Cut In Amusement

under the bill.

Abram F Alyers, clipirinan of the board of the Allied, Safers Association of Minion Pleture Exhibitors, stid not make a specific recommendation but maged that there should be a bill with some flexibility so that the strength of the stren

The Stam proposal was pushed also by Harry E. Buchanan, repre-senting the Theatre socia-tion of North South

tion of North South Carolina, ne of the most nigenious arguments was put, forth by Sam Gillette, shall theatire operator from Toodes, Ulah, and president of the ther-Mammain Theat? Association, the described the law as "a 2", increase to the theatire owners in the large boom areas and a 10% death tax to the small theatire owner in the

tax to the small theatre owner in the small town may be forced to close, he said, and, in all probability, the return from him will be lost. Insofar thesites the boom may be a considered to the said, and the said, and the said t

the tree and boom areas are concerned, is an equally large tax fallacy. If the theatre owner is now orced to absorb an impressed 10% in admission taxes, this will taken off his profits

profits.

In other words, the 10°s removed from the theatre profits will be remitted to the Federal Government as admissions tax and will be taken of the net return for Successe Line. This means that in this case, these so-called profits, of which the Government receives a minimum of 80°s—and in many closes ast much as 90°s of the increase, would be increase, and in many closes ast much as 90°s of the increase, would be increased. pocket labeled 'income taxes' to the pocket labeled 'admissions taxes.' It pocket tabeled "admissions (axes," it would not constitute any appreciable return and would merely constitute an added burden on the tax struc-ture of the theatre."

Cowdin's Proposal

Production end of intures is con-cernied with a statement sent to the Senate Finance Committee Sunday by J. Cheever Cowdin, chairman of the board of Universal Pictures, and chairman of the Government finance chairman of the Government finance committee of the National Association of Manufacturers. Cowdin warned that war industries will be among those subjected to higher corporate levies, and said this would prevent them from rolling up reserves necessary to convert to peace-time production and pracetime emtime production and pracetime em-ployment. He suggested that the time production.

The suggested that the Government allow corporations to set up reserve funds in the form of spacial Government bonds.

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With such reserves set up in Government bonds, he said, 'the Treasury would have the use of the money now when the Government needs it most. I at the postwar period these funds would be available to industrial the control of the set of the money now when the Government would be available to the set of the set

Word for the legits came from Walter Hampden, veteran Shake-spearean actor, and Eddie Dowling.

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partient, along with request by Eduard Johnson, general manager of
the Metropolitic Open Co.). Federal tax on horse "racing include
Occ. Speared L. Holland of Florida,
which gets the largest take of any
state from the galloping ponies;
Herbert Bowel Swore, chairman
ston, and Charles F. Comnors, chairman of the Messuchusetts State Racing Association. ing Association ..

Holland insisted that m Holland insisted that mutule tax-alion belonise entirely to the states, and claimed, a Federal levy would discriminate against, the 22 states which permit racing. He said that a Federal lax would force several ables to call special sessions of the control of the service of the service of the united to call special sessions of the might lose II, racing were badly squeezed because of the 5% U. S. bite. Swope raid it would merely

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This mean that the Federal Government would upon the example a 2c. tax would take some of the taxes from the states and get them in Wash-21 to 37c. inclusive; 6c. from 38 to 180 to year to \$3,800. He said this would ruin the industry which he claimed was having headaches enough try-ing to get pin boys, what with the draft and war jobs.

Laraine Day

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her contribution to the morale are puzzled by her statement that she did not get enough time with the GIs. We have pictures here the men was highly commended. We she did not get zhough time with the Cls. We have pictures here of, her visiting hospitals where men were not standing at attention fast she claimed); of her cating, at the regular misses of the culisted men, etc. We were able to find nothing to sustantiate her statement, expressed the opinion that she may have had an unfortunate, expressed the communication of the control of th

Both Barrels

the Army let go in somewhat un-lt released a James B. Carroll, of On with both chivalrous report by James B. Carroll, of Laraine Day's visit to Mac. ill Field, Fla. Attached to this was an editor-ial from the post newspaper, entitled MacDill Entertains Laraine Day. It read in part:

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'Came the big homent. A roll of druns, a blare of luglet, and the beautiful and no doubt islented slar had no chance to judge her talent. She told one jole, told a second, an then just. gracefully made her exit. We sincerely hope that Miss Day's visit to Marcoll was a pleasant one and that she enjoyed the entertainment.

Col. Carroll's report read in part: It is the opinion of this headquarters that Miss Day, failure to contact the enlisted men at this Field was of her own making. From our stand-point, Miss Day's visit to MacDill Field was not satisfactory."

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Bolger, Little = Continued from page 2 =

during a night raid. were so fascinated that they came out of their dugouts to watch the action. The two raiders downed in five minutes.

Ave minutes,
American ingenuity anaxed them,
he declared, and cited examples of
improvised stage props built out
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remarkable, said Bolger.

\$150,000,000 WEB BILLING

NETWORK GROSS TIME SALES

(Estimated)

FOR OCTO	DBER .	
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Ken Jones Resigns Y.&R.

Ford Sponsoring

Tommy Dorsey's orchestra was signed last week by J. Walter

Thompson for a five-times-a-week

broadcast bankrolled by Ford Mo-

tors. Dorsey will ride the 8:15-8:30

Thompson is now handling the Ford account, having taken over last week from the Mason agency. It will continue indefinitely the other Ford show, the six-nights-a-week news series on the Blue.

New Accounts Up Thompson Biz To \$45,000,000

Acquisition of the Ford and Vimms (Lever Bros.) accounts by J. Walter Thompson apparently puts J. Walter Thompson apparently puts that agency ahead of all others in the matter of ra io billing. The two new accounts, in addition to the recently-acquired Owens-Illinois glass business, gives Thompson an estimated \$45,000,000. Heading the list last yeason was Young & Rubican, with about \$30,000,000 annually.

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The Vimus account was witched last week from B. B. D. & O., while the Ford business moved over from the Maxon agency. The Vimus and activity at the moment is central activity and activity at the moment is central activity and activity activity and activity activity and activit tors. Dorsey will ride the \$15.8-30 period on the Blue network Monday through Friday belte network Monday through Friday belte in the state of the s

Ex-'Sons' Chorine New Radio Click As Illness Forces Career Switch

Pittsburgh, Dec. 7. Pitisburgh, Dec. 7.
Breaks coming fast for Virginia McCurdy, Pitisburgh grit who had to quit the chorus of Sois O' Fun' on Broadway last year because of illness. She had been a dancer exclusively, but upon returning home to convalence, physician told her she d have to give up hoofing persentation on account of a physical resonance of the property o

singing.
Couple of weeks ago Maurice
Spitality heard her and immediately
took her on at her featured vocalist
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Beverly left him to devote all her
time to her studies at Duquesse Unicertify. Last week Miss McCardy
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Commercial for Rolling Rock
VOICE Welcome and features in adYou're Welcome and features in adFour Buddies and the Tuneful Twosome.

some,
Program will likewise feature the
selection of a 'movie of the week'
by Vincent Johnson, Post-Gazette
feature, writer and paper's former
radio editor. He'll write the 90-second review on his choice, although
review will be read by an announcer.

Koestner Collapses At

Josef Koestner, radio music director, collapsed while conducting the crickestra in rehearsal for the new Union Pacific program on NBC.

He was removed to the hospital in critical condition.

Union Pac. Rehearsal

BI7 SKYROCKETS

On the basis of increased business which skyrocketed total time hillings of the four national networks for the month of October to \$14,275,000 lt now appears probable, say industry statisticians, that the webs will wind up 1943 with a combined time sales turnover of a record-shattering \$150,000,000

The accumulative gross of the net works for the first 10 months of the For Durstine Cincy Job Ken Jones has resigned as, an account executive of Young & Rubicam to become manager of the Cincinnati office of the Roy S. Durstine agency. Dursing his association with Y. & R., Jones was for a time in charge of the Detroit office. year already exceeds by an esti-mated \$8,000,000 the joint tally for the entire year of 1942, when the same webs had a collective gross of \$115,000,000. The total gross for the

previous year, 1941, was \$106,400,000 The statisticians point to the fact that the webs need only equal in November and December their time billings for the month of October to come through with the \$150,000,000-T. Dorsey Band mark, and on the basis of the month-to-month upbeat throughout 1943, it's considered a virtual certainty (Continued on page 32)

New Year's DX Show For Overseas Troops Being Recorded (Thurs.)

New Year's Eve program, with Fred Waring, Jimmy Durante, Kate Smith, Mary Martin. Mayor La-Guardia and others, will be recorded tomorrow (Thursday) by the Army Special Service for shortwave to the troops overseas on the Command Performance' series. It will, of course, be broadcast Dec.

Special Service group from Holly wood, currently on a visit east, will

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head the agency's radio department. Both are vice-presidents.

CBS Revamps Program Dept.

Columbia has religned the production setup of its program depart-ment, increasing executive supervision of actual shows. Five distinct program classifications are involved, with an executive in charge of each

The five categories are variety. dramatic, music, educational and dramatic, music, educational and news. Until a suitable man can be found for the assignment, Doughas Coulter, vice-president in charge of classification personally. Robert J. Landry, direction of program within the desired program with the desired program within the desired program within the desired program within the desired program of music above. Lyman Bryton, educational director, handles educational strates are has formed public affairs. Faul White super-Actually, when new setuo is aimed.

viscs news broadcasts.

Actually, the new setup is aimed to relieve Coulter of considerable detail. There will be more frequent staff meetings, with Davidson Taylor (when he returns from his present overseas assignment for the OWI), William Fineshreiber and Roy Langbarn participating.

BARNUM QUITS OWI;

RETURNING TO R.&R.
Pele Barnum, domestic radio head of the Office of War Information.

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'Command Th'tre' With Colman, Due On NBC in Jan.

Command Theotre, the new Arie Dobber program to be sponsored by Auto-Life, which will have Rinds of Auto-Life, which will have Rinds and Colman as permanent star, look and for a January preem on the NBC network. Initials two programs of the work of the probably originate from New York, with the renainder of the show with the remainder of the show with the remainder of the show and the probably originate from the dramatic show. for which Obber will be a weekly original seriely or adaptation of a classic Colman will also a weekly original-seriely or adaptation of a classic Colman will also a weekly original-seriely or adaptation of a classic Colman will also picture star also guesting each week to play opposite Colman. Ruthrauff & Ryan is the a 'Command Theatre,' the new Arch

\$10,000 Audition Cost For Socony-Vacuum All-Star Package Show

Ambutar rackage Show Society-Vacuum assertedly spent \$10,000 liet week to antition a new program consisting of Orion Welley. Bittal Hayworth (Alrs, Welley, Jimmy Durante and Duke Ellington's band, Andition was dome in N. Yaat Pri-day evening 33 with Ellington con-ing in off the road specialty for 0 day evening (3) with Ellington con-ing in off the road specially for (1.) Socony is said to have a half-hour period on CBS on option into which the program will be insected begin-ning Jan. 13 if it's approved.

A REPORT TO THE NATION

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Fred Allen Gets Even With Variety' For That Akron Review in 1922

AIR RATING SURVEY RACKET

Baked Beans Nightmare

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Doubt Newsprint Cuts Will Bolster **Spot Time Buying**

Newsprint, clus squanted by newspring, with apparently more coming, should not result in hypoed spot sales business for radio stations from national advertisers, in the opinion of a top advertising agency execs.

Those who hold otherwise main-Those who hold otherwise main-tain that newspapers in various localities will have to curtail the mount of space they can sell to national advertisers and that this will ferce the companies into buying spot time to supplement their other radio coverage

coverage.

Ageiney topper feels this theory is wrong for the reason that any really comprehensive spot coverage would run up a bill equalling or suppassing fees paid out for network shows winter at the same time the increased smiters resulting thereform, if any, certain. This, he points out, holds truer as the company is more mational in scope.

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Assury Topper feels this theory in writing for the resion that are voilty from the residual to save the residual to a surface of the residual to the the resi

with whatever newspaper and maga-ine space they can get, plus network, civerage. He reasons that less printed advertising is better than more at all because, he maintains, auditory and visual advertising are natural, alites, and selling-effective-ries, far nots products depends on the use of both together rather than either one alone.

ALL-STAR CAST FOR **ELGIN XMAS SHOW**

Chicago. Dec.

4-Day Lapse on CBS 'Suspense' Show Repeat For Coast Listeners

For Coast Listeners.

Network time problem has reached such a pass that Roma Wincs Suspons, "series on CBS airs for the seat on Thursday high ris accordance of the seat of th

BENDIX 'REILLY' SHOW FOR BLUE; OTHER BIZ

Stewart Takes Option On 'Barnaby' Airer

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Dunninger Goes Comm'l Jan. 5

Kem-Tone, aint product manu-factured by a combine dominated by Sherwin-Williams will sponsor Dun-ninger, the mentalist, via the Blue, effective Jan. 5, Wednesday 9-930 pm. The Show, packaged by the Blue, was sold for \$3,000 exclusive of time costs, which total approxi-mately \$3,000 for the full net /162 stations.

REAP HARVEST VIA Sponsored Shows Giving Air Forums **Kicking Around: Norman Thomas**

Premieres (Dec. 8-19)

Dec. 8

Teasy Aces, with Jane and Goodman Acc. 7:38-8 nm, Wednesdays, WABC-CBS, Anacin Co.: lickett-Sample-Hummert agency (postponed from last week).

'Mrs. Miniver,' serialization of Jan Struther's novel: 11:30-12 midnight. Fridays: WABC-CBS.

midnight. Pridays; WABC-CBS. sustaining. Dec. 13 'Education for Fréedom? edu-cators and writers' forum: 10:15-10:30 p.m.. Mondays; WOR-MBS; sustaining.

More Blue Time On Chain Breaks For Spot Sales

Blue network affiliates go to a 30-second chain break Dec. 15. giving local stations an additional 10 seconds for spot sales. The web

local stainors an additional I0 seconds for spot sales. The web is also dropping point of origination at ine-stope state of the state o

d: Norman Inomas

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Solve Wrigley Script Problem

With the current scarcity of good radio scripts preenting a real problem for the industry, the Arthur heart for the problem for the Arthur American Women for Wrigley, pulled a stunt out of the hat last week that probably will furnish them with plenty of skripts for months to come the primary function of the form the primary function of the conversal money of vertices, women out.

ag in the ropes, phal Cohen, head of the OWI radio division and a representative of the War Manpower Commission, was at the ession, to make a spirel breaste of the propaganda angle of the grain.

LINE UP SELECTIONS ON PEABODY AWARDS

Washington, Dec. dennig-po-t compile.

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OWI Shortwave Radio Beams Historic Silver Theatre' to N. Y.

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For Dec. 19 'Lady' Repeat

............ From the Production Centres

IN NEW YORK CITY . .

Sunday (5)

IN HOLLYWOOD . . .

IN HOLLYWOOD.

Vick Knight sufficiently recovered from his illness to work with Amos "Andy as idea stimulator", and Davis shifting from NBC press department to ditto New York. ... RNX writing staff on William Kliefd, Incelaucer. ... Hollywood is the Mills with the Mills with the Mills wood is the Mills with the American staff with the American with the American with the American with Mills with the Mills wit

IN CHICAGO...

Lou Cowan, radio director of OWI overseas division in Chicago, in town last week on a hunt for newspaper and radio people to staff the expanding chief, in Des Robines last week to address the ad club there... Lou Harrington, of the Weigley restaurant, has a rare collection of Orycteopas...

Dave King, who announces race results over WIAD, in New Orlean Dave King, who announces race results over WIAD, in New Orlean Control of the Company of the Control of the Control

N. Y. AFRA LOCAL **ELECTS ADAMS PREXY**

AFRA signed renewals last week of its contracts with stations WMCA and WNEW, New York, the deals providing for wage increases and extending 18 months. Sound-effects contract with NBC was also renewed for another year and providing wage raises.

Sanford Back to Ayer; Navy Medical Discharge

Herh Sanford, recently a Lieut, (jg) in the Navy, has been given a medical discharge and has returned to the N. W. Aver agency as radio production head.

He contracted tropical fer while doing combat intelligence in the South Pacific.

WSB's Folksy Drama

Atlanta, Dec. 7.
Foster's Corner: 20-minute' folkey drama about a small town judge, is aired Wednesday nights over WSB, local NBC outlet.
It's written.

Jockeys Pact Contract With Disc Cos. in Bid

ELECTS ADAMS PKRA1

William Adams was elected that were president to a proper to the p

repetition. WNEW turntabler, last week signed a contract with World and Langworth, adding these and Langworth, adding the and Langworth, adding the and Radio, coast transcriper. Each of these companies has been considerably active since settling with the APM in recording new material with virtually every band worth-white.

Neville Miller Heads Radio's 'March of Dimes'

cville Miller, president of the National Assn. of Brondeasters, has been appointed chairman of the 1944 March of Dimes' National Radio Division, it is announced by Baril O'Connor, president of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

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IS TELEVISION READY?



and Televisi . I'm here now to bring you up to date on Televisi

1. Is Television ready?

Yes: 9 U. S. Television Stations are broadcasting regularly. There are three in New York, including station WZXWV operated by DuMunt, one in Schenectady, one in Philadelphia, two in Chicago and two in Hollywood. Wartime manufacturing restrictions retard Television's expansion-roday.

2. When will new Television Receivers go on sale?

New Television sets probably will be available within 6 months after peace in Europe. Many Television sets are in use today. Major prewar distri-bution was by five manufacturers, one of which was DuMont.

3. What will be the sizes of Television pictures?

Depending on the size of the Receiver, from about 8" x 10" up to approximately 20" x 24".

4. What will be the sizes of Television Receivers?

Virtually the same as radio receivers-from the size of larger portables to ide-screen de luxe console models



5. What will Television Receivers probably cost?

The first models of Television Sight-and-Sound Receivers probably will range from \$200 to \$700.

6. How for can Television programs be broadcast?

Today, the best reception is within 60 miles of the station, Engineers hope, by using improved equipment, to have Television networks cover the world.

7. Will Television carry news, sporting events and motion pictures into your home?

Yes: Television can carry any scene that cameras can record, whether it be from the studio or from the held.



8. How perfect will Television pictures be.

Now, Television is as good as 16 mm. motion pictures; after the war it may equal theatre motion pictures.

9. Who invented Television.

Many engineers have made valuable contributions. It was Allen B. DuMone who brought from a laboratory curiosity to commercial reality the heart of the modern Television Receiver—the Cathode Ray Tube.



10. What part will DuMont play in post-war Television?

DuMont's Television activities will fall in three divisions: the manufacture Of fine Television Radio Receivers; the operation of its own commercial Television Stations; and the manufacture of Precision Electronic Equipment for Television, pick-in and transmitting stations. 3 of the 9 Television Stations are DuMont equipped.



Illeh B. DuMont Laboratotics. Inc. General Offices and Main Plaot. 2 Main Avenue, Passarc, N. J. elevision Broadcasting Studios and Station W2XWV, 315 Madison Avenue, New York, N. Y.

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Folsom Named RCA V.P.

Frank M. Folsom, former chief of the Procurement Branch, Navy Dept., was named as v.p. and direc-tor of RCA, and will head RCA-Vic-tor Division. He takes over his new position Jan. 1.

WLVA's annual Christmus patty, a one-day community event supplying food to thousands in recent years, is threatened with extinction
as a result of an OPA ruling,
in order to fill baskets with rationed foods, station will have to
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Chief headache will be likelihed of beneficiaries not hiving safe
thinks it would be unfair to require handover of five-pound coupon
for the one-pound of sugar usually included in a basket. On other
hand, the station docant want to attempt to supply baskets either
Meeting of welfare agencies which supply names of basket receivers
has been called to see if plan can be worked out to give baskets without the point payback.

Experiment On Documentary Radio Shows Folsom replaces George K. Throck-morton, who is resigning due to ill health.

The cutting and solieing technic in everyday use for the assembling of reperimentation and limited application in the production of the pr

tryout by WMCA, N. Y.

That station has been sending out a mobile unit since Monday (in manned by an engineer and an annuncer to pick up material out of which a number of documentary shows may be fashioned, depending upon the quality of the material. The initial experiment actually took place last Wednesday (1) when the place has Wednesday (1) when the unit recorded the docking of the refugee ship Grusoloth and included the property of the prop

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Radio Writers Guild Pacts NBC on DXers; Raises Pay Minimums

Radio Writers Guild signed a con-tract last week with NBC, covering news writers in its shortwave depart-ment. Latter are under Office of War Information orders for the duration, but are paid according to NBC rates. The new wage levels, involving raises in all classifications, are subject to War Labor oard ap-

proval.

In general, the new pact calls for minimums of \$2,000 a year for junior writers and \$3,000 for seniors. The Guild considers these figures unsatisfactory, but better than the previous rates and at least comparable to those in effect at the OWI overseas office. About 30 men are covered by the new contract.

Esty Angling for Web Spot to Unearth New **Durante-Moore Combo**

The William Esty agency, which already has Abbott & Costello, Durante & Moore, 'Thanks to the Yanks,' 'Blind Date,' 'Blondie' and Grand Ole Opry' on the air for Reynolds Tobacco Co., is interested in still more programming for the same sponsors if good network time

Trammell Sees Post-War Radio Strides Shackled Under Gov't Control In Testifying Before Senate Group

Washington, Dec. 7. enterprise can obtain from thes NBC prexy Niles Trammell dipped achievements the largest dividen the American history before the in public service.

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One Part Hollywood — One Part New York - Mix Well in Chicago

OUT in a California training camp, a couple of thousand soldiers are howling their heads off at a gag ... the band plays a short fanfare ... applause ... the announcer comes in with his commercial.

A neat, smooth operation-yet the comedian and announcer are 3,000 miles apart, and probably have never met each other. They're "mixed" in a studio in Chicago.

When there's to be a pick-up from any out-of-thestudio spot, NBC sends equipment and engineers to the scene two or three days ahead of time. They set up a circuit between that pick-up point and the "mixing" center. If the announcements on the program are to come from New York, they will go over a special NBC circuit direct to the same "mixing" point.

The mixing engineer gets his cues and his timing by telegraph. Then he sits down before an NBC mixer and with a flick of the wrist performs the miracle of blending together a comedian on the coast with an announcer from the east-so subtly that it sounds as if they were both sitting in the same room!

NBC engineers helped develop this miraculous mixer-which automatically fades out a voice from on source and fades in a voice from another source.

Perfecting devices and operations such as this, working out every new means for making broadcasting more effective, increasing the scope and richness of radio through every resource at its disposal -these are some of the things that make NBC "The Network Most People Listen to Most."



-The National Broadcasting Company

Radio Reviews

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With Nat Gross, Guy Wallace
Is Mina; Sat. A p.m. HEN'S ASSN.
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Opening with three national scoops,
one of which was confirmed an hour
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Opening weak because of mixe
merchanists, Gross managed to the
air a good pecu throughout. Make-

rial, which was dished up in an interesting manuer, dealt mainly with the doings of the town, celebrities, human interest yarns and war personalities with a local background. It was not to the constitution of the control of the con

'SERENADE TO AMERICA'
Cast: Winifred Heldt, Nora Stirling,
Dr. Frank Black, orchestra, chorus Director: Ira Avery 25 Mins.; Mon.-Fri., :15 p.m.

Dr. Frank Black, orchestra, chora Director: In Artery 15 pm. Sustaining Mean Park 15 pm. Sustaining on the series vereing margain concert late not been explained and in the most late of the most

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**SINGING HOST—SID GARY'
IS Mines, Summer, 113 p.m.

**MINES WINGER

the session in appropriate season-style.

The commercials were well spotted and kept in check. In addition to plugging the product, they included a statement about the liquor short-age and a plea to be patient with the liquor store distribution. The ac-count is handled direct.

age and a plea to be patient with the liquos store distributor. The account is handled direct. PRIDAY ON BROADWAY Cast: Brad Reynolds, Kay Penion, Brad Reynolds, Kay Penion, Brad Reynolds, Kay Penion, Cast: Brad Reynolds, Kay Penion, Cast: Brad Reynolds, Kay Penion, Cast: Brad Reynolds, Kay Penion, Cherus, Shatt Cotsworth Cast: Brad Reynolds, Cast: Brad Reynolds, Kay Reynolds, Cast: Brad Reynolds, Cast: B

one tune or act for special ballyhoo with the result that the entire show held to a steady, satisfying pace. In its present form the misteal should have little trouble building and holding a substantial audience. Commercials were ably projected by Warren Sweeney and Cottworth proved a capable master of cere-

monies.

No little credit for the results obtained should go to the unobstrusive but standout orchestral backgrounds and interludes by the 30-piece Jacques Renard unit.

THE MYSTERIOUS TRAVELER'
Cust: Maurice Tarplin, Philip Clarke,
Gilbert Mack, Carl Emory, Lew

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Edward B. Murrow, CBS news correspondent in London, was beamed for a special network program on which he described yieldly his remained by the control of the control of

Kate Smith did a fine job Friday (3) with Irving Berlin's latest song, 'My British Buddy,' which was writ-ten in London and added to the 'This Is the Army' repertoire. Its perform-

ance on the 'Kate Smith Hour' war the American preem of 'Buddy', at ypical Berlin product, combining the proper blend of catchy melodinal had a broad of the combining the proper blend of catchy melodinal had introduced Berlin's 'God America's several years ago and sites of none of the franck in interpretation of the combination of the

say played ball with the scriptor.

Ginny Simans bowed in all the Stage Door Canteen Friday night to sing and take part in the general festivities with Boir Bore, Dame down on the strength of the strength o

lory.

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W. W. Chaple pinch litter for John W. Vandercook on a 'News of the World' broadcast for Alka-Scitzer over NBC.



655 Fifth Avenue

New York City

PLaza 9-6180



DO YOUR PROGRAM-SHOPPING EA

Post coupons immediately for full details on these splendid, sales-producing WOR shows!

WOR, 1440 Broadway, New York 18 (Rm. 2355) Gentlemen:

Please send me all the facts on why MARTHA DEANE is such an excellent radio buy at this time. Also the cost to me of having her push and sell my prod-uct in WOR's 16 cities of more than 100,000 people each.

AGENCY OR BUSINESS CONNECTION _STATE MARTHA DEANE The Woman who makes Women Lis-ten – and Buy!



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UNCLE DON le Reaches Parents' Purses with Proven Skill.

icipating availa bility for reputa food product. ACT NOW!



New, low-priced type of availability. ACT NOW!

That power-full station

Butcher Not NAB Candidate

The proposal to recruit Commander Harry C. Butcher, naval aide to Geb. Dwight Eisenhower and former CBS v.p. in charge of the network's Washington Office, as a possible successor to Neville Miller to head the National Assa. of Broadcasters, brought forth a V-mail retort last week from Butcher that a far as I'm concerned one war senoigh."

last week from businers that as I as a to concerned one war's energit. Thus Butcher automatically encelled himself out of the picture as a possible candidate for the NAB job. A large segment within NABs a possible candidate for the NAB job. A large segment within NABs reneated and the properties of the safety into mothing more than service club. The properties of the p

of this year.

Inside Stuff—Radio

Capt. Meredith Wilson, balanced a Command Performance broadcast (made for transcriptions) at the NBC studies in New York last week, which Fred Alleu enceed and which held Gliny Simms, Gayer Rose Lee, Benny Goodman Isolo, tri and full band), Golden Gate Quartet and Lauritz Michigher. It ran overboard, but cutting wall lake notes of the control of the Benny Goodman (80.0. fr) and that band), tolden Gate Quartet and Laurit Michion. It ran overboard, but cutting will take care of the accurat running time, which is a must for two reasons. One is that BBC broad easts many of these CPF disks, hence a strict half-hour must be main tained, and secondly, the censorial conditions are tougher.

For Goodman, the Metol New Yorker did a nice gesture in defraying the cost of the substitute band to permit its maestre to work at the NBC studios for the CP during the Wednesday dinner hour. Capit Wilson, Major Mann Holiner, Sat. George Rosenberg (ex-Hollywood agent), et al. return to the Cost this weekend.

H. V. Kaltenborn, president of the Asm. of News Amilysts, recently engaged in a distance with Eulton Lewis, 3r., over the organization's parallel and the control of the co

The Free World Theatre' series of dramatizations heard over the air last season is being brought out in book form next month by Random House. Tome, containing 19 of the scripts, will also carry an introduction by Thomas Mann.

Through an arrangement with the Radio and Screen Writers' guilds, the radio plays also leung placed at the disposal of the War Dept's Special Services Division for precentation among men into service.

Two new handbooks supplementing NBC's two Inter-American University of the Air programs have just come off the presses. New publications are "Policy ways in Music," volume 3 in the "Music of the New World' series, and 'The Americas and the World, 'Tourth in a series entitled 'Lands of the Frec.'

Richard Stark Drops **Daytime Gabbing Jobs**

ichard Stark, Ivory Soap radio spieler for the past five years, is spicier for the past five years, is giving up announcing duties effective Dec. 31, when his present contract expires, on the "Right to Happiness" (NBC) and 'Life Can Be Beautiful' (CBS)' daytime serials. Reason advanced in resignation letter to the Comp.on ageiney was that Stark is absendening daytime activities because they interfere with conties because they interfere with con-Productions.

Gabber's decision to leave the daytime shows will not affect his chores on Abie's Irish Rose and other night

Agcy. Execs Lay Upped Radio Biz to Speedy Comm'l Plug Changes

Arug Changes
Chicago, Dec. 7.
One of the principal reasons for
the tremendate assources that radio apputing on the airmonth by month is the flexibility of
the medium in terms of commercials,
according to advertising agency executives here.
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ecutives here.

With the prispect of an early settlement of the war in Europe, even though the war in the far east may go, on for come time, many sponsors feel that a good percentage of American business will return to a peace time basis with the overthrow of Hitler.

Changing an ad campaign in news-papers and magazines is a long slow job entailing changeover in plates, engravings and copy, whereas com-mercial plugs on the air can be changed overnight.

WHBQ's St. Nick

Memphis, Dec. 7.
WHBQ is arranging for a series
of 'in person' broadcasts by Santa
Claus at local orphanages on approaching Saturday afternoons. Saint
Nick will do programs from each
institution at 4:45 matinee spot.

FDR Refusal to Transfer Control Of RID Bared at FCC Probe Hearing

Spending Guest Star

Case of a guest on a radio pro-gram becoming the program's sponsor within 15 minutes after sponsor within 15 minutes after going off the air cropped up last week, when Mark Warnow guested on Dick Gilber's platter stanza on WHN, N. Y., Thursday (1) afternoon. Following his interview, he watched Gilbert carry on and after the program commended the disc pickey. Me earry on and after the program commended the dise jockey. He went on to talk about his legit show. What's Up, and one of the WHN salesmen present suggested that he might want to advertise it on the radio. Warnow fell in with the idea and took on sponsorship of a daily 15-minute segment of. Gilbert's program. Interesting sidelight is these

Interesting sidelight is that Warnow is providing no copy for the program, but is permitting Gilbert to proceed extempora-neously.

'Open Door' Switches To CBS Aft. Spot Jan. 3: More 'Marlin' Outlets

'The Open Door,' daytime serial for Standard Brands, moves from the 10:15 a. m. spot on NBC to 120 CBS stations, Jan 3, and will be heard Mon.-Fri. from 3:15 to 3:30 p. m. The account is handled by Ted Bates and the switch brings the serial to the follow-up spot after 'Mary Marlin' on CBS, also a Standard Brands show, but handled by J. Walter

The eight-year-old 'Marlin' serial. now heard on 35 stations, will be upped to 67 outlets, Jan. 3, and expand to the full CBS network Feb. 28.

Washington, Dec 7.
The row between FCC and the War and Navy Dept's. for control of FCC's Radio Intelligence Division was settled on Sept. 7 by President Roosevelt, who ruled in favor of the Commission, I was disclosed at last Commission, I was disclosed at last Commission of the Co

Cox Committee, the Congressional pripores turned up the fast that the Joint Chiefs, of Staff, Secretary of War Heury L. Stimson and Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox, requested the switch as far, back as class July. Eugene L. Garey, general counsel for the committee, has counsel for the committee, has the committee of the commit transferred.

transferred.

Garey drew considerable support for his stand from FCC Commissioner T. A. M. Craven, who was on the witness stand most of last week before the Committee. Craven, generally regarded as FCC Chairman James L. Plys severest critic but not his dearest friend), listed the following boners which he said RID committed:

committed.

1. He said the Navy spent considerable time investigating an FCC report of enemy ships at see in Alaksan waters, only to discover it was a fixed radio station in Japan.

2. The 101 radio monitors and 137 mobile units uncovered a secret station operated by the FBI.

3. RID found several racing touts broadcasting track results, although there was no military interest in this, and likewise tracked down some boys in Omaha at an amateur send-

boys in Omana at an amateur send-ing setup.

Craven did admit, however, that RID uncovered two genuine enemy spy transmitters, one located in San Francisco and the other, in New

Chicage—Edwin G. Foreman, Jr., has become v.p. in charge of the Al Paul Lefton office here.



"Adams says we just bombed Berlin again..."

Twice each weekday, within the 139 counties of WCCO's primary area, more people tune to Cedric Adams than to any other newscaster.

Hooper says that Adams' midday broadcast - from 12:30 to 12:45 -has a rating of 17.6.

His last nighttime rating, during his 10 o'clock quarter hour, hit a whopping 25.4.

This is earned popularity. To his regular following of hundreds of thousands of Northwest families, Cedric Adams is an old and reliable friend. Year after year, he delivers straightforward, succinct, "natural" reporting of the news - with a rare and happy overtone of friendliness, warmth, and humor.

In his 13 newscasting years, Adams has never been without a sponsor. He is not available for sponsorship today. But you can put your name on the waiting list, in case.

His success is a good example of WCCO's keen understanding of the listening likes and needs of the people we serve-and of our determination at all times to be Good Neighbor to the Northwest. That

determination has won a dominant share of Northwest audiences-not only for Cedric Adams, but for dozens of other WCCO programs tailored with equal skill to the special audience - which whale of a market for goods and services.

A few of those WCCO-originations have a"for sale" tag on them. They're smart buys. Ask us-or Radio Sales-and we'll tell you more about them.

Good Neighbor to the Northwest

Haley Ascension As BBC Boss Cues

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headquarters of the BBC, leak Monoz, and taking half a page to eversus the hope this government, and the page to eversus the hope this government, and the page to eversus the hope this government, and the page to the page combined title to runner of the commercialization of the BBC orec he was in the saddle. These runners, incidentally, still persist in the face of an official annuarement of the impossibility of the corporation's present policy of mon-sponsored programs being changed until the expiration of its 1948.

changed until the expiration of in-centry in 1846.

Later in appeal to certain advertisers. It per forms other services which probably forms other services which probably no commercial company would ever dream of touching, such as broad-casts to schools, agricultural talks and features which are of great as-sistance to farmers."

So far as can be ascertained this

D'ARTEGA

ALL GIRL ORCHESTRA

Now Working in Their

First Paramount Picture

Personal Management ERNEST LIEBMAN

1440 Broadway, New York Direction: William Morris Agey.

Of course, while it is true sponsored programs in America are not broadcast in "ache or Welsh there would can be no yell digrounds for be leaded to the country of the coun

Gillette 'Auditions'

handled the ringside assignment at the St. Nicholas arena. N. day night 161 when Gillette launched

my mgu 10 wnen Gillette launched is new series of boxing broadcasts over WHN. Only the main bout of the Mike Jacobs-romonded fistic show was aired, but several other biow-by-biow gabbers were on hand the several other broadcasts. The several other preliminary bouts were described and recorded by the hopefuls who competed on an elimination basis to become Dunby's assistant and posture broadcasts from St. Nicks. Sononer is auxiliars to the Madison Square Garden and other important bouts the has been doing with a constant of the several boundary night, were Steve Ellis, Paterson, N. J. Jac Potin, Boslon: Ted Lawrence and Perrin, both of the WINS Nick's assistant of the made this week.

Stapp Ouits WSM Post: Goes Overseas for OWI

Nashville, Dec. 7. WMS, Nashville, loses its program director and a major production executive December 9, when Jack Stapp leaves for the duration to join

Stapp leaves for the duration to join, the overscas radio branch of OWI. He will spend two months in N. Y. before leaving the country.

Stapp, who has been program director at the NBC affiliate for the past five years, is a Nashvillian and sithough he is only 30 years old is a veteran radio executive.

WHERE MICROPHONES BRING GLADNESS

We sing your praise. WMBG!
You bring the best of forly-three!
For fius and laughter, Body Snooks.
For hean-thy music, Richard Crooks.
Then Rallenborn and Thomas, loo,
Who tell cach day of what is new.
For the best in 43, stay funed to WMBG.

WMBG Richmond, Va. NBC

Rating Racket

New Speculation on Comm Setup

London. Nov.

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With Donald Reed in The Daily an admission of there being such a distribution and admission of there being such a distribution of the BEC. leak upon the BEC. leak

proceed to point it on. They can, on revent the name of their clients, other agency as a solution to the station's problem. If the station wants to become a participant in the survey they might be able to handle this without compromising the client. Of course, they have to obtain the permission of the client.

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U.S. Subsidy on Bond Drive Adv. Ignoring Radio As Media Assailed

Norman Thomas

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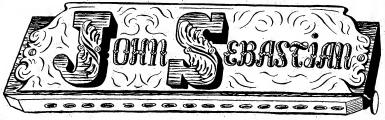
for the Treasury, stemstly; Morgenthan wrote to-Senstor Harry Byrd (D. Va.), chairman, of a joint congressional conomic committee. This proposal was made in an effort to help sell War
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tructe promotion of War Bonds,
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We cannol continue this method if we pay some of those cooperating, and leave the others in status quo. Either we must pay all or none. And if certainly seems wasteful, to pay any of them as long as the vast majority are willing to continue sup-porting bon rives on a patriotic basis."







PHILCO "RADIO HALL OF FAME" DEC. 19TH 13th WEEK-CAFE SOCIETY UPTOWN 🏽 🌢

Trammell vs. Radio Control

than three television stations by any one company. Ownership and operation of key stations by networks will be as important in this new service as they are now in standard broadcasting. These key stations will be needed to create the networks' program service and to provide the economic basis to meet tremendous development of the committee of t

tremendous development costs. It is clear that such an enterprise cannot be self-sustaining until millions of television receivers have been sold. Saying that the radio industry stands about where flims stood 20 years ago when sound first was in-troduced to the screen, Tranmell was enthusiastic about the prospects for broad-easting but tempered his for broadcasting but tempered his buoyancy with the warning that Government actions with respect to legislation might very well shackle the industry and impede progress for many years.

FM Inventor Testifies

FM Inventor Testifies
At Monday's (6) session of the
committee considering the Whitewheeler bill FM was discussed by its
inventor, Dr. Edwin H. Armstrong,
prof electrical engineering at Columbia U, who predicted his staticdevelopment in the radio art with
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Armstrong likewise declared he would have made better progress in getting additional FM wave lengths if RCA would have said that I was

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Paley Testimony Hile

A titack on William Paley's testimony before the Senate committee

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before the committee Friday (3)

Saturday by Ray C. Wakefield, Republican FCC Commissioner.

I would like to talk about the
chain regulations which seem al-

ready to have come in for an honorishe mention here and there,' he said, 'It is not my contention that said, 'It is not my contention that the said, 'It is not my contention that they provide a sound basis for effective regulation of the industry, subject to whatever changes may prove desirable after experience with them. In addition, they cinhance, rather than endanger, the great constitutional guaranty of

ting chance, rather than elibanger, fore speech.

Mr. Paley's testimony ran something like this: First, the regulations
hemselves were bod. Thus, he says,
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not leopardize their network 91.

tells all advertisers that the rules do not jeopardize their network programs; that they do not cul loose the stations, from the network; that they speet no greater rate of turnover of station affinitions; and that the expect no greater rate of turnover of station affinitions, and that the regulations to continue its broad program policy. No Cerpus Delictl 'So Mr. Paley's first point is that the regulations are destructive alternative through he did not produce the flough he did not produce the flough he did not produce the must have the regulations, then let Congress write them into the statute. If it is true that they are destructive,

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WARC, Inc., Files

WARC, Inc., F168

'Albany, Dec. 7.

OPERATE a broadcasting company with offices in New York. Directors are S. W. Townsend, Richard W. Hogue and Marjorie Clipp.

Hughes, Hubbard and Ewing, N. V. were filing attorneys.

Hughes, Hubbard and Y., were filing attorneys.

M'Millin to Coast On 'Sardi,' 'Mystery' Shows

John McMillin, vice-president of the Compton agency in charge of radio, leaves Monday (13) for the Coast, to be gone several weeks.

He'll confer on the agency's 'Breakfast at Sardi's' and 'I Love a Mystery' shows originating there, and will look around for available new programs

'Nero Wolfe' Vice 'Gun' For Elgin Watch on Blue

Chicago, Dec. 7. 'Nero Wolfe,' half-hour detective thriller sponsored by the Elgin Watch Co., hits the airways Jan. 21, 6-6:30 (CWT) over the Blue Net-

Show replaces 'Man Behind the Gun, which will be dropped after the Dec. 25 broadcast.

Biggar, Bentley Back

George Biggar, program director of WLW, Cincinnati, and Julian Bentley, news head of WLS, Chicago, have returned from a short visit to England as guests of BBC:

James D. Shouse, radio vice-president of Crosley Corp., Cincinnati, who went to England with them, has not yet returned.

Ousted FCC Trio File U.S. Claim In Move to Recover Back Pay

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Washington, Dec. 7.

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(Estimates for This Week) Bill Bardo, Providence (Metropol-lian: 3.200; 36.591—Plus 'It's Love Again' (Indic') and Inkspots, others, on stage. Sturdy \$9.000 in 3-day

weekend run.

MIII Britton, Cleveland (Palace:
3700: 33-65)—With Happy Land
(20th), and Bert Wheeler. Merry
Macs, others, on stage. Pacing eity
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appeal. Terrifle \$31,000, best here in

Bob Chester, San Francisco (Golder

Bob Chester, San Francisco (Golden Gate 2.880; 5-751—Plus Trom Majori (RKO). and new vaude toppied by Three Stooges. Second week for band, Smash \$32,300. Jimmy Dorsey, Minneapolis (Or-pheum: 2.800; 40-65)—With Top Man' (Us, and two acts on stace, ox-office dynamite, Dorsey always be-ning an ace draw here. Terrific \$23-ting an ace draw here. Terrific \$23-

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in person and Northern Pursuit, WB1. Currently in second week, looking good \$27,000 though of considerably from first week, seekers was a seekers with the seekers which was a seekers with the seekers with the seekers was a seekers with the seekers was seekers with the seekers was seek

night: Tuesday at 98,000.
Art Kassel. Omaha (Orpheum; 3000: 20-35 — With 'Doughboys in Irendm' (Colt; Codo 312,300 espected.
Picture rated as having small appeal.
Russ Morgan, Cinclimant IRKO Albee: 3300: 44-85)— With 'Man Prom
Down Under! Moff, and others, on
Alvino Rey; Los Angeles (Orpheum; 220): 45-73— With 'Lowpheum; 2200: 45-73— With 'Lowbit', Smith' (U.). Average \$17,000.



Lawrence Welk, Philadelphia (Earle; 2,768: 35-85)—With 'Is Every-body Happy?' (Col), and, others, on, stage. Sa6 \$15,000 or thereabouts, but al) theatres are off currently

Cugat, Dick Gilbert Join In Dance Promotions

Xavier Cugat and Dick Gilbert, WHN, N. Y., disc jockey, will co-promote two dances in N. Y. Dec. promote two dances in N. Y. Dec. 12 and 19 at the Audubon and Manhattan Center Ballsons, respectively. Cuga: and Gibert are equal partners in the venture and share alike, in profits above expenses—and in losses, too. If any occur. These dates, are Gibert's initial promotions this year. Last winter he ran several under similar arrangements.

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Another platter spinner is running dances in N. Y. 100. Paul Brenner.

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Sturchio, Now Father Of 7, Is Ordered Up For Army Induction

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For Intuburs, Dec. 7.

Louis Sturchio, known profession—
ally as Peewer Lewis, and the local
sax-playing father of seven children,
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that the the children of the 60. of the Musicians Union, requested the board to defer the induction at least until after Mrs. Sturchio had recovered from the operation per-formed when she gave birth to the last child.

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Hamilton Fitcher, manager of WB's Strand in Parkersburg, W. Va., was inducted recently and is now in cted recently and is now in

Assoc. Booking Corp. Title for Glaser-MCA

Joe Glaser-Music Corp. of Amer-ica partnership in Glaser's band and talent agency has finally been titled.

is partnership in Glaser's band and little Boston. Heartie, Boston. 18, Private Library, 19, Simbert Library, 19,

Bands at Hotel B.O.'s

(Preiented herewith, as a weekly tabulation, is the estimated cover charge business being done by name bands in various. New York, hotels Dinner business (7-10 pm.). Nor attad. Figures offer name of hotel give room capacity and cover charge. Larger amount designates weekend and hotelag price. Compilation is based on period from Monday to Saturday.)

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Hand Hotel	Weeks Played	Past Week	On Dale
Ray Heatherton Biltmore (400; \$1-\$1.50)		1,200	34.975
Lani McIntire* Lexington (300; 75c-\$1.50)		1,975	171.325
Benny Goodman. New Yorker (400; \$1-\$1.50)		2.575	21,750
Tommy DorseyPennsylvania (500; \$1-\$1.50).,		3.725	30,100
Leo Reisman Waldorf (550, \$2)		2,475	28,400
Count Basie Lincoln (275; \$1-\$1.50)		1,950	6,550
Guy Lombardo Roosevelt (400; \$1-\$1.50)		2,300	21,550
Enric Madriguera Commodore (400; \$1-\$1.50)		1.200	5.025
Abe Lyman Essex House (300; \$1-\$1.50)	2	T.150	2.700

* Asterisks indicate a supporting floor show. New Yorker and Biltmore have ice shows. Waldorf has the Hartmans, Annamary Dickey,

Chicago

Griff Williams (Empire Room, Palmer House; 750; \$3-\$3.50 min.), Con-entioneers helped Williams and Dean Murphy keep patronage up to great

11,000.

Jimmy Joy (New Walnut Room, Bismarck holel; 465; \$1,50,52,5

Off some here but Joy managed to draw good 4,800.

Johny Long (Pauther Room, Sherman hotel; 950; \$1,50,52,50 min.).

Combo of conventions, last days of Charlie Spivak and Long's opening hit

solid 8,500. Neil Bondshu (Mayfair Room, Tackstone hotel; 400; \$2,50 min 1, Bon shu and Carl Brisson kept figure in to near capacity 3,500, which she have the share Room, Edewater Beach hotel; 1,100; 50c and 75c ever charge plus \$1,25 min.). Oliver, established favorite here, responsible for big \$2,00.

Los Angeles

Freddy Martin (Ambassador, 900; \$1.51.50). Consistency is a bywor with Martin so the count again skirts 4.000.

Joe Relehman (Bittuner: 900; \$1.51.50). Clientele here a natural for Reichman's brand of music and the week's checkup crowding 4,000 tabs.

Chriego:

Lou Breese (Chez Parec: 650: \$3-83:50 min.). Gertrude Niesen and reese playing to turnaway biz with amother capacity 5,800.

Del Courtney (Blackhawk: 500; \$1-\$2.50 min.). Courtney holding clicates as a word \$500. entele to very good 5.500.

Danu Duurings

Richard Himber, Dec. 8, week, Boston theatre, Boston: 18, private party, Worcester, Mass; 19, Shubert theatre, New Haven; 23, Capitol the-atre, N. Y.

agency business of his own in col-orcet and white bands and acts that have no connections with MCA.

Orzie Nelson's band set for 'Any-body Hete Sen Kolly' at University and the collection of the collection of

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Metro Still Indicates Possibility Of Entering Recording Biz Postwar

Metro apparently is still figuring on going into the recording business post-war. Its attorneys, negotiating outside recording contracts for art-ists under contract to the company outside recording contracts for art-ists under contract to the company for films, have been demanding no-tice clauses enabling the artist to cut loose from a disc agreement be-fore its expiration. Metro figures six months reasonable

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KAY STARR BACK HOME

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Dee Venuti is reported general years.
Kay Starr, has come home to Memphis. She has done, several radio stints since returning.
Venuti is reported going to California to live on his ranch and work Blim studio Johns.

Russ Morgan to Coast

to open a new name band spot, the Claremont hotel. Berkeley, Cal., Jan. He is booked for 16 weeks

Morgan, currently in Cleveland at the Palace, is not taking any dates over the Xmas halidays. He's com-tinto N. Y. fur that period.

DISC COS. FILE BRIEFS WITH WLB THURS. (9)

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Gordon Going Sweet

Gray Gordon will sidetrack his band's jump style within the next couple weeks to return to its forcouple weeks to return to its for-mer sweet groove. Now playing at a small Newark nitery, Gordon last week shifted agency a lintions to the William Morris office after pay-ing \$575 in back commission to an-other month.

other agent.

When Gordon debuted his jump band several years ago he was inband several years (40 he was inadvertently responsible sidetracking the Log Cabin, monk,
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sweet band. When the outil aponed
he shows so successful in drawite bind was so successful in drawthe band was so successful in draw-ing business—stayed. Thereafter the Log Cabin was a fump music stand until it closed for the duration.

Sustaining Radio Bill On T. Dorsey at Cafe Rouge

WLB panel which heard the clay at 802 of the merican in New York. The APM filed early Pederation of Musi lans presented last week.

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opens at the Strand. "N. Dec. 23
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Artie Shaw's Naval Band Back in U.S. After 68,000-Mile So. Pacific Tour

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Ellington Concert S.R.O.

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10 Best Sellers on Coin-Machines

(Records below are grabbing most nickels this week in jukebaces throughout the country as reported by operators to Variety! Names of more than one hand or rocalist after the tilt indicates, in order of, popularity, whose recordings are being played. Figures and sources in parenties indicate has made of present graphers, and sources in parenties indicate he samples of peechs each sound has been in the listings

and respective publishers.)	
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OTHER FAVORITE.

(These records are directly below first 10 in popularity) Cuddle Up Little Closer (Harms) How Sweet You Are (Remick) ecca

Dorothy Nesbitt, pianist, beginning
er filth straight year at
intelies Lounge of Hotel
ittsburgh.

Bobby Burns, former, Tonniny oray sey manager, has received his silver
ittsburgh.

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ASCAP MEETING DELAYS MPPA BOARD HUDDLE

Music Publishers' Protective As-sociation board meeting, originally scheduled for yesterday (Tnesday) scheduled for yesterday (Thesday) afternoon, was postponed until next Tuesday (14) because of a Publisher's Classification Board meeting at ASCAP, set for the same time. Since many of the men on one governing body ary also on the other, the deforment of the MPPA meeting was a most.

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Decca's 'Okla.' Album

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After more than two-thirds of the trop with content delivered in juntiles, and the market only a week ago. Other disease, of which much: expected, are also being aloved by the Oklahoma's album obtlenech Deceded and all soles of places and to all sorts of places and to all so

Other pop dises delayed by the show-time set are Bila Plagerald's Cow Cow Booked, Jimmy Dosey's B. C. MILLS REPORTED Old-Star Eves' and several others.

Irving Romm Gets Pro Mgr. Spot at S-B, N. Y.

Irving Romm stepped into the pro-fessional manager spot at Shapiro-Bernslein office in N. Y. Monday (6). He will work under the supervision of Jonie Taps, general manager. Romm was with Harms for a short period before transferring to Sha-niro.

Artie Shaw

the food in the tents. One night a lone Jap plane came in unobserved and the first inkling of danger arrived with the blast of a bomb. So fast did the tooters hit the slit trenches that they bad the rats for

During the stay on Guadaleanal Shaw and his men were regularly entertained by recorded music of his own band and office top-name out-lits via shortwave from Tokio, Dises a's 'Okla.' Album

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LEAVING SPA AS G.M.

According to reports, E. Claude Mills is leaving as general man-ager of Songwriters Protective Association. Decision supposedly came about after recent meetings of the SPA council.

One of the reasons reportedly centered around Mills' salary.

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Abe Lyman's orchestra will be mount practice, which ce is the Economic Market Marmhath sold 'Sea of Troubles' The Lord Avaits Me' and the Sea of Stroubles' The Lord Avaits Me' and the Sea of Strouble of Troubles' The Lord Avaits Me' and Troubles' The Lord Avaits Me' and Troubles' The Lord Avaits Me' and the Strouble of Stroubles of St

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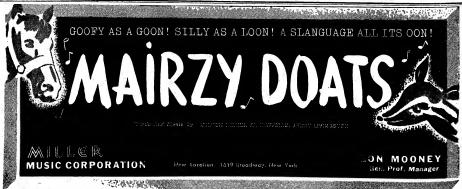
Firm has published over 10,000 copyrights including such standard hits as 'Over There,' Darktown Strutters Ball, 'K.-K.-Kaly, 'One o'Clock Jump,' Runnin Wild, 'Ra-mona,' etc.

Present Feist organization, headed by seen prof. mor. Harv. Link, is

Present reist organization, neaden by gen prof. mgr. Harry Link, is currently exploiting Metro picture soings. It's one of the Jack Robbins 'Big 3' firms (Miller, Feist and Rob-bins Music Corps.).

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(or 20th-Fox, has added Sidney
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'Higher' Score

Three publishing firms will work on the score of the forthcoming Frank Sinatra musical, 'Higher' and Peanle Studen unusual. Iffleere and Higher (RKO) an unusual circum-stance brought about by the fact that one of the writers of the melodies is under contract to Rob-bins Music, while RKO itself was through the Max Drevfus combine (Chappell-Crawford L. B. Harms). Robbins, therefore, has three of the songs, while Crawford Las one, and T. B. Harms our. T. B. Harms our. Titlefer when his was a Broodway musical and it has been his practice to have such contracts call for pub-

musical and it has been his practice to have such contracts call for pub-lishing rights to any times stem-ming from a film version in the event a show is sold to Hollywood. This occurred in the case of Highert, but Robbins came up with a claim to the times because Harold Admission, who collabbed with Jimmy McHugh who collabbed with Jimmy McHugh on them, was under contract to Rob-bins. Matter was settled by Robbins taking: Music Stopped: 'I Saw You First' and 'You're on Your Own.' Crawford has 'A Lovely Way to Spend on Evening!' and Harms, 'I Couldn't Steps a Wink Last Night.' Incidentally. Harms' plugging of 'Wink' is its rist effort on a pup song since 'Day Dreaming' some time age its catalog is composed mostly ovaluable stan ords.

TWO T. DORSEY MUSIC FIRMS NOW INACTIVE + Filmusical. . Louis musical.

Tommy Dorsey has temporarily put his own two music firms. Embassy and Yankee, into an inactive NBC BEEFS PLUGGERS ry. He released Irving Brown and Harry Bernie, contact men, last

NBC, CBS, Blue, Mutual Plugs

the week beginning Monday and through Sunday, Nov. 29-Dec. 5 from 5 p.m. to 1 a.m., is divided into two sections. The first section represents the first approximately 25 leaders in alphabetical order (in some cases there are tics, accounting for a longer (ist), and the second section contains the 'also rans,' but notated in arithmetical erder. The compilations embrace the NBC, CBS, Blue and Mutual Networks, as represented by WEAF, WABC, WJZ and WOR, N. Y., and are based on data provided by Accurate Reporting errice, regular checking source of the music publishing industry.

TITLE	PUBLISHER
Besame Mucho	Melodylane
Candlelight and Wine—''s Don't Believe Everything ream—''s	Miller
Don't Believe Everything remp-1:	Robbins
on't Sweetheart Me	Advance
For First Time	Shapuro
Have I Stayed Away 'oo Long'	Famous
Home	American
How Sweet You Are- Thank Lucky Clars	Remick
I Couldn't Sleep Last Night - 'Higher and Higher'	llarms
In a Friendly Little Harbor	Campbell
Is My Baby Blue Tonight	Broadway
I've Had This Feeling of usiness'	Santly Joy
Little Did I Know	Lincoln
My Heart Tells Me— Rosie Trady My Ideal	BVC
My Ideal	Paramount
My Shining Hour- Sky's the Limit	Morris
No Love No Nothin - 'Gang's All Here'	Triangle
Oh, What a Beautiful Morning-"Oklahoma"	Crawford
Old Aequaintance— Old Aequaintance	
Paper Doll	
People Will Say We're In Love-"Oklahoma"	Crawfor
Put Your Arms Around Me- Coney Island'	Broadway
Shoo Shoo Baby- Three Cheers For Boys'	
Speak Low- 'One Touch of Venus'	Chappell
Star Eyes—'1 Dood 11'	
Surrey With Fringe on Top 'Oklahoma'	
They're Either Too Young Too Old- Lucky	Witmark
When They Ask About You	Berlin
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Pistol Packin' Mana	Morris
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Do Nothing Till You Hear From Mc	Robbins
Journey to a Star Gang's All Here	Triangl
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What Do You Do In the Infantry	Saunders
By the River of Roses	Shapire
Brazil Saludos Amigos	Southern
Say a Prayer for Boys Over There- Thers to Hold'.	Southern
Sunday, Monday or Always-*Dixie*	Mayfair
Sunday, Monday of Always- Dixie	Mille
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New Famous Door, N. Y., Folds After Com Snags; Old Creditors Crop Up

recently opened at a new and larger | Rhumba Casino, Chi, location on Seventh avenue after being on 52nd street for years, folded Wednesday (f) night after Lionel Hampton's orchestra was pulled out of the spot by Joe Glaser, its man-ager. Hampton reopened the Door

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a privilege allowed all prospective
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Still Up in the Air

Chicago. Dec 7.
Although there have been reports regarding the reopening of the Rhumba Casino, Harry L Weisbrod, lessee, sai last week that nothing definite has been decided about the

Spot was closed on July 28, 1942; for liquor violations when operated by Greenleld and Milt Schwartz.

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During 1941. Piermont: said he sained only \$120. Last year's earo-lings were \$2.05.

Dante \$7,500. Buff.

Dante, in seven-day return to Erlanger last week, beat his former week's tally by conjuring up neat \$7.500 at \$2.20 top.

D'Artega's all-girl orchestra made D'Artega's all-girl orchestra made its first appearance at the Holly-wood Canteen, marking their 300th performance for servicemen through-



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Hollywood,
Earl Carroll settled grievances
with Waiters Union and resumed operation of his theatre-restaurant last
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Night, before recment was reached Carcoll donned apron and went behind bur to serve drinks, to customers. He was 'told such conduct might impair bis standing with other unions, so he poured himself a drink and closed out his bartending career.

Quits Philly Bookers Post

Philadelphia, Dec. 7. Florence Bernard, yesterday i Mon-dayi announced her resignation as president of the Enterthioment Man-agers Assn. (bookers) effective Dec. 15 because of pressure of her war activities.

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Mostel to Wax

ecca has signed Zero Mostel to turn out an albino of soons and gag material. Comedian will make six sides within the next few weeks. Mostel was turned out of the Army on a medical discharge several weeks

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Other production number, 'Doing the Barouque,' likewise an ori inal, is equally diverting.

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Vocalist Kaaren Gibson has nifty soprano set of pipes which she uses in highly professional fashion in medley from 'Oklahoma' as well as a bundle of George M. Cohan faves.

Other songstress is Barbara Leeds whose voice is adequate but needs a little more experience in selling. Jane Frazer handles the terps in workmanlike fashion, making the best of the tiny floor of the intimate Embassy room for her adroit tap-

work.

Music is in the able hands of the twin orchestras, Prospero's for dan-sapation and show accompaniment and Joe Sten's boys for the lulls. Latter aggregation is a recent transfer from the Ritz, where it enjoyed a long stay. Room was jampacked for dinner how when reviewed. Shall

Marine Room, Chi (EDGEWATER BEACH HOTEL)

Chicago, Dec. 1. Chicago, Dec. 1.

The Pastines (3), 3 Gay Blades, 3
Charms, Dorothy Dorben Dancers
(8), Eddie Oliver Orch (18); minimum \$1.25 plus 50c and 75c cover

Continuing the ballet trend of the last show. Dorothy Dorben has again review, this time centered on the waltz as danced through the ages. Her four radiant line numbers, all from Sair' in which eight violinists from the orchestra are worked in with excellent results: a mediew which we have been continued to the contraction of the contract are worked in with excellent results: a medie of time off-time voltace; the 'Arendo'

Valse which features Eddie Oliver at the piano, and a routine to Jerome Kern's Walki in Swingtimed. He last Kern's Walki in Swingtimed, the last Charms, feature into, furnishes background harmonies for all production numbers in acceptable manner appear in their presentations, first a walk to Blue Danniar's Golowed by a based on "Technalworks". Concerto in B Flat, 'also tabling part in one of the finales. The Passines' southers and an experimental control of the contr

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daneers.

Three Gay lades, mustached and bewhiskered in Gay 190s fashion, harmonize on such did-timers, as Bigerie Built for Tase. Sweet Editer Time. Same Old Shillatable and other nostalgie tunes between which Frank Kamplain, tenur, cuntribs Sayder Docs Your Mother Know You're Out. to heavy applaasus

You're Out, to heavy applaus Show caught was preceded by an hour's classical cancert by Eddic Oliver, and orch proving the outlit equally at ease whether playing this type of music or filling the dance floor to their excellent dance rhythms, Ben Purnell and Ann Jud-son, Jr., continue to furnish vocals during dance sets. Morg.

Slapsy Maxie's. Frisco San Francisco, Nov. 25.

San Francisco, 1002. 25.

Yacht Clült Boys (Charlie Adler.
George Kelley, Jimmy Brown and
Jimmy Marri, Mercedes, Jess Mack
Don Stone, Auneite, Joe Oakley with
Leo Catalano's Orch (6); minimum

Sam Lewis, vaude veteran (Lewis and Moore). has sprung the best site has seen to date. Importing the Yacht Club boys, comparatively fresh from their USO tour of the African war Irom, and publivitied. Lewis has built a standard office of the other. Built as the other war lewis has built a standard too show that uses two stages, one above the other.

the other.

The Yacht Clubbers, were given a surprise when caught when Major General A. C. Strickland, who had conto the stage during their final and gave them a royal welcome. The boys accounted for five soin encores and the customary lind allow was so overlong because of the encores that the customary lind allow was so wellong because of the midnight and law well well and the customary lind allow was so well on the customary lind allow was so well as the customary lind allowed as the customary lind allowed lind as the customary

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Mercedes, who arrived just before show time, and without delayed
baggage, found just enough; eloytee
to cover the hips well, sang a little
in Spanish, danced a little and was
well received.

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Annette, a holdover with a good voice and personality plus, fits well into the new show. Jess Mack and Don Stone, straight men and enneces do okey, particularly in fie black-outs, which have given quite a repu-

ouls, which have given quite a reputation to Slapsy's.

Joe Oakley, a sad-faced comic, fits into the blackouts, but his comedy hits a snag. Leo Catalano orch keeps the dancing postage stamp overfilled.

Samovar, Montreal

Montreal Dec 2 Eric Victor, Kraft Sisters, Rico de Sierra, Yvonne Leouard, Will Skin ner Orch (5), Bill Moody Band (3)

Accent is on interpretative dancing at the class spot currently with the class spot currently with the cach netting heavy salvos with multiple-call pay-offs.

Eric Victor, would not be contained to the contained as in his first week. He uses a fast spinning tag and stresse stimophere simple props such as a blanket, table. Calkmarker and a brommistic, Also spinning today and a brommistic, Also and a door approaching and retreating foolstops is a thrill. It was a club considerable studies around lown.

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Rico de Sierra and Yvonne Leonard balance the show with singing.

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Unit Review

Folies Bergere (WINTERLAND, FRISCO) San Francisco, Dec. 1.

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Hos. Staged by Jean. 1e. Seyenav,
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Clifford C. Fischer spent pult-lenty in grafting a circus to a revue and gave San Francisco the Folies Bergere of 1944 at Winterland last night

night. Sophisticated comedy, nifty pag-eartry, lilting music of pre-war-Paris and the thrills of the circus, including the ring and five live horses were acclaimed by 3,000 first nighters after the show was delayed nearly an hout to clear the mob-from the front doors clamouring for admittance.

Then for two and a half hours San

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Outstanding in the first half were the 'Roses de France' with the lighted silk props, the antics of Barto and Mann, the big and the little of comedy, and the superb bal-

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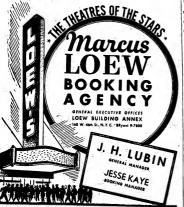
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Expect to play Blackstone, Chicago, again in May, also Mayfair, Boston, and probably Las Vegas, Nevada; Radison, Minneapolis; Mexico City and Chicago Theatre. Of course, the rotation is a little scrambled, but you probably get the idea that I am booked

The six months I just played for Lou Walters at his Latin Quarter and re-booked. was grand. Incidentally, he's a terrific guy.

Buddy Arnold is out of the Army and back at the piano for me. We have some swell new songs.

Best to all of the muggs from Cam and me. Take care of the store.

Love and kisses,

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Continued from page 2 atre had closed its candy booth for the engagement cut down through the entire day without

fond. the seat-warmers out of their chairs, RKO resorted only to bringing up the lights. It didn't work The fullure is resulting, observers estimated in a cut in the gross exceeding \$1,500 a 'day.

While the audiences have been plenty vociferous, and have squealed, screamed, shouted 'Oh Frankie' and screamed, shouted 'Oh Frankie and curried on generally, they have not been obstreperous, and very few boos: or jeers have been recorded. Nor have there been any attempts to swarm onto the stage, chiefly, perhaps, because the approaches have been guarded by cops at all time. times

Outside, however, the swooners have maintained constant vigit to catch their here emerging from the stage door. He remains inside, though, a virtual prisoner on the premises 14 hours a day.

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Il generally conceded here that imprisonment for 14 hours a day is not a had penalty for the collecting of at least \$25,000 for one is a second of the collecting of at least \$25,000 for one is at the moment, it should amount to \$30,000, or even more, for all indications point to a house-record gross of \$40,000 or over. Out of his book of \$10,000 or over. Cordinal Control of the Control of t

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of the Juvenile delinquency problem. It Cels a responsibility to help and to doing a fine job. She commented on Mrs. Miniver. 'Madam Curie,' Young Tom Edson: 'Litle of Emile portions which would be strongly helpful in solving the problem.

She praised some of the new war pictures for instilling particular in relitures for instilling particular in Europe Commented. 'Is aware. Of the need of presenting wholesome films. Every studio is Sendor Claude R. Pepper, Florida Demograti Who is chalirman of the

LaGuardia Kudos

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dent of AFRA and AGMA; Bert Ly,
tell, president of Equity; James E,
Sauter, co-ordinator for National
Entertainment Industry Council; and
Entertainment Industry Council; and
representatives of the Army, Navyand the entertainment world. Lieut,
Perry Smith, Army chaplain, closed
the ceremonics with a brief Invoca-

The 'Winged Victory' chorus and an Army band also participated and a contingent of WACs was drawn up int formation on each side of the speakers' platform creeted at 43rd street

In introducing Bert Lytell, who served as master-of-ceremonics. Sau-ter welcomed Mayor LaGuardia and other guests and briefly explained the spirit of the occasion. Sauter's Talk

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'A service flag is perhaps the most
democratic of all symbols.' Sauter
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haps be most democratic of or loss,
matter if you are Jew or Centile,
colored or white, native or naturalized, 'just so long as you' are an
American and can do your job, Then
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you are part of the industry.

'And a service flag-no one ever
asks if a Gold Star "epresents a Jew
or a Gentile, a. colored soldier or a
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This is a man who gave his life for
his country and for us.'

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Tiblotit stressed that the 78,808 stars represented men and women from all phases of show business from top ranking stars down through the ranks, but that all were of equal stature on the flug. Of the Gold Stars, Tibbelt said: God bless them—they gave their, all for us—let up go on giving our all for the ones that remain."

remain.

Other speakers included Harry Brandt, president of the Independent Theatre Owners Association, Solly Pernick, business manager of Theatrical Protective Union No. 1; Major Frederick Hart, of the Army and Navy, Lieut, John F. Herrick.

and Navy, Lieut. John F. Horrick, Sated on the platform were Vincent. Jacobi, TPU representative; James F. Reilly and Marcus Heiman, York Theatres: Fred Marshall, Insistences agent of United Scenic Artists; Milton Weintraub; sec-treas, of the Associuted Theatrieal Agents Smd Managers, and Maury Scamon, representing the theatrieal treasurers.

USO, ENSA Show

Continued from page 1 bers supplemented by the recrui

from British show biz through co-operation with ENSA (Britain's counterpart of USO-CS1). Through a reciprocal arrangement, the ENSA entertainers' ranks will be swelled by the American troupes and whereever possible the fighting men of the other Allied nations will share in the holiday cheer.

holiday cheer.

Three new USO units have justarrived in England and there is currently a big. Backlog of performers,
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B'way Advance Sales Big: 'Carmen' 161G, 'Lovers' 68G, Turtle' 60G

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in Broadway's attendance, traceable to the Christmas rush to the stores, but advance tieket sales for the new this mounts to big money.

It is a big money, the control of out an performances for eight weeks and established a record advance

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Reaction?
It is expected that reaction from It is expected that reaction from the new sock successes will result in tapering off in the prosses of established his but to what degree cannot be clearly indicated until after New Year's. If the declines are marked the tightness of the booking situation on Broadway will be resulted in the success of the society of the success of the society of the success of the

Estension of two more weeks for Victory' has been made and tickets for the last two weeks of Justice of of Justic

REINHARDT MEMORIAL CONCERT NETS \$3,500

Kerslin Thorborg, Med. Opera so-prano, and 80 members of the New York Philinarmonic, led by, Bruno Walter, chonored Max Reinhardt, at a memorial benefit concert in Car-negic Hall, N. Y., Tuesday night (30). Ernd Lohar, successor to Reinhardt as director of the repertoire theater son additional delivered. The intermis-sion additional control of the control of the son additional control of the control of the son additional control of the control of the son additional control of the control of the control of the son additional control of the control of the control of the son additional control of the control of the control of the son additional control of the control of the control of the son additional control of the control of the control of the son additional control of the control of the control of the control of the son additional control of the control of the control of the control of the son additional control of the control of th sion address and related Reinhardt' experiences, tenets and accomplish

The concert realized \$3.300, which will be used to build a monument to Reinhardt in Salzburg after the

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Western R.R. Assn. Snags Show Troupes On Baggage Transport

At a recent meeting held here by the Western Railways Asa, it was the Western Railways Asa, it was using over two bagsage cars on one train or one road would be transported after Feb. 1, 1944. While the move is no blow to small units it will stand any large musical shows, opera distributed to be belief from traveling intact.

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there are more conventions here than ever before and trains are bringing in thousands of conven-tioneers weekly.

Billy K. Wells' Musical

Billy K. Wells, vet comedy writer, is setting an early Broadway musical production called 'Joe Miller Rides Again'. Music for production is by Al Evans, director of Papermill Theatre, Millburn, N. J., with lyries by Evel Honodon. Fred Herendeen Besides autho

Besides authoring and directing sketches, Wells plans active participation in the production.

Moss Hart's Tutors

man. ackground isn't a necessary ackground isn't a necessary factor in writing a play, observed Hart. For instance, when I wrote 'Once In a Lifetime.' I had never been to Hollywood nor inside a Hollywood type of studio. What I knew of the movictown, I'd learned by reading 'Variety' and the movice maga.' Hart later went on to state that despite his small knowledge of filmville, 'Once In a Lifetime' is still looked up to as a top play based on the mo

Serving Time

I. H. Herk, sentenced to six months for presenting Wine, Women and formance, at the Ambassador, N. Y. last season, has started to serve the time. Around one-third of the time will be automatically dropped fron the sentence, so his incarceration will be for slightly more than four months. The theatre is operated by the Shuberts, but they were not in-volved in a police complaint that re-sulted in the conviction. Commissulted in the conviction. Commis-sioner Paul Moss rescinded the Am-bassador's license, and there were implied threats of show censorship at the time. It was charged that the prosecution was inspired by pressure groups, a Catholic organization being specifically named.

specifically named.

An appeal for reversal was recently denied unanimously by the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court. Last week an application for further appeals was declined.

A pellion had been circulated and presented to Judge Owen J. Bohan, who imposed the sentence, but the Donnellan for commitment. Defendant had been free under bail, a writ of reasonable doubt having been issued that spring by Justice Sidney J. Bernstein.

Hampden. Dowling in Senate Pleas To Cut Proposed 20% Legit Tax

Adrian Damage Claim Will Go to Arbitration On Myerberg Ouster

Instead of going to court, claim for damages by Henry Adrian, producer of 'Victory Belles,' against Michael Myerberg for latter's onster of the show from the Mansfield, N. Y., which he leases, will probably be arbitrated. That was a stipulation

Y, which he leases, will probably be arbitrated. That was a stipulation in the contract for the Belles' booking and that method was-used when the show received notice to vacatie the beautiful that he was a state of the state o

of \$2,750, there was money on hand to cover the house's claim.

Thomson Resignation Of 4A's Post Accepted

I 41 a session of the 'Associated Actors and Artistes of America last Friday (3) the resignation as second vice-president by Kenneth Thomson, who was accepted. Thomson, who was also executive secretary of the Screen Actors Guild, recently resigned from that snion to enter the No replacement was immediately made for Thomson in the Four A's.

Broadway legit delegation which Committee last week to appeal for a downward revision of the 20% admissions tax, present in the new revenue act as framed by the House, was headed by Walter Hampden and Eddie Dowling. In addition there were 15 other groups who opposed the lofty levy, all the latter repre-senting picture theatre interests, ap-peal for revision being made collec-tively.

seeming precure aneatre interests any control of the collectively.

Hampden was reserved in this educes, pointing out that many shows just about got by and if attendance discussions are controlled to the control of the collection of the collectio

for tickets and the trouble is over. Previously, Edward Johnson, general manager of the Metropolitan Opera Co. 10d the committee he to the committee he commit

bate another bill.

On Broadway it was thought the
Met, was out of step in attempting
to get an exemption for opera, which
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Jerry Whyte Nearly Winds Up Staging The 'Kaypee Follies'

Jerry Whyte, former stage man-ager of 'Oklahoma' (St. James, N. Y.) and acting similarly with Winger Vilory, Army Air Forces show at the 44th Street, N. Y., got his first taste of Army life early last week. An industee, he went to week and the work of the work o Y.) and acting similarly with

JOHNNY' HALTS MARCH WK. DUE TO MISTAKE

'Marching With Johnny' is laying off this week due to a mistake in dates. Show management expected it to play Ballimore starting Monday (8) but it was discovered no booking provision had been made there for the CIO revue. Because of the error Equity made a control of the properties of the properties of the properties. Johnny plays two weeks in Johnny plays two weeks in Johnny plays two weeks in Johnny plays two Weeks and the properties of the properties dates. Show management expected

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They had quarreled for no good reason and are brought together by Hannah. 'Last act is in Miley's Greenwich Village flat, night befure he is to go into minform. There is on air raid practice alert, with all lights out, and the curtain indis them alrout to hove a pre-marital rehearsal.

alout to hove a presmartan renewall and the Jahlman & Ross is present as the Jahler, an inept and relieve who doesn't know much about his doughters, nor cares. Frances Heilin pincs, the griping young wife; Citaria hair affair with Edward Lung, Inuce-talk gut, who becomes engaged to ther with the idea in high principle of the relieve hair and the state of the relieve hair and the relieve hair a

deferment. Julie Stevens is olary as Hinnanh.
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Play Out of Town

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Dream Street Beat

(Broadway Legit Lowdown)

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Inside Stuff—Legit

Theron Bamberger, producer of Tomorrow the Workl, visited Washington last week to have his play considered for the Command Performance of the 1944 President's Birthday Ball veclety-alon or Jan. 23 at the National theatre in that city. Since it has a pivenile in the east this would be it accepted, the only Washington performance of Thusbrow. The child labor law of the District of Columbia profibilis anybody under 14 in presional easts. Life, Willy Father and Watch On the Rhine' both with child actions, gave these individual performances in connection with the office these performances can be given in as much six the continuers its services and they are not regarded as performances for profil. for the production of the prod

Pre-Xmas Slump Begins in Chi But 'Okla.' SRO \$27,000, 'Corn' \$18,300

Chicago, Dec. 7.

Pre-Christmas, dlump has already affected several shows, but on the whole business continues bright. The property of the pro

Stimates for Last Week

"Cern Is Green, Studebaker (4th
week) 1,400, \$2.75). Closed Saturyal (4) to best week of engagement
"Good Night, Ladies," Blockstone
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('ut rates and extra ad space brought fi ure up to \$8,000.

Hub Off; 'Doughgirls' Slides to OK \$16,000; 'Blossom Time' \$14,000

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Army Play by Blom-

ght.
'Army Play by Play' got off to a bod start on Monday (6) at the Wil-in so only three stands are lighted is week.

this week.

'Over 21' follows at the Wilbur on the 20th; 'Mexican Hayride,' Mike Todd musical, debuts Xmas night at the Shubert, and 'Suds in Your Eye' is next on the 27th.

Estimates for Last Week

**Estimates for Last Week ... 'Able's Irish Rose,' Plymouth (1.-424; \$2.75). Leveled off to estimated \$11.500, third week, and will stay through Xmas anyway. Big matinee and weekend sale, radio show bringing in kids.

ing in kids.

Blossom Time, Shubert (1.500; \$2,75). Finished successful three-week stand at neat \$14,000, estimated, and could repeat next year. Off on one-nighters this week.

'Doughgirls,' Colonial (1,437; \$2.75).
lid to \$16,000 on third week. Plenty
f horsepower left and should stay

rough new year.

"Ramshackle Inn," Wilbur (1,300;
2,75). Just got by on second session
\$7,000, estimated, and cleared for hilly Sat. (4). 'Army Play by Play'

'PRINCE' GREAT \$16,000 IN TORONTO WEEK

Toronto, Dec. 7. Student Prince' registered a wham \$16,000 despite a flu epidemic here, which saw many cancellations. These, however, were all snapped up by theat regioers who are giving the Brown and the same of the most phe-noment designs in one years.

House (1.525-seater) was scaled at \$2.50 top. Also a heavy advance on Dante, back for his second engage-ment at the Royal this season.

Boland-D'Arcy Play 9½G in 2d, Seattle

Scattle Dec. 7.

Son't Mention It' wound up twowork tryour at 1.500-seat Metropolitan last week, scaled from \$2.88, and
gamered fair \$18,500 for the stuy.
First week, started slowly at \$7,000;
second was better at \$5,500. Mary
Boland and Alexander D'Arcy are in
leads.

Shows in Rehearsal

'South Pacific' ('New Georgia')-David Lowe.
'Marianne'—B. P. Schulberg, Ma-

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When Doctors Disagrees'—William
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—Millon Baron, Toni Ward, Jean.
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'Storm Operation'—Playwrights.
'Mexican' Hayride'—Michael Todd
'Lady Comes Home'—J. J. Leven
thal, George Brandt.

'Turtle' Sensash \$21,000 in Philly

Philadelpia, Dec. 7.

Back on a four-house bais, Philly's legit was plenty potent last week, the two fraight and the two musical offerings, the two fraight above the two musical offerings. The senation of the week, from the questionably 'Voice of the Turtle.' in its second of two weeks at the Water level and the work of the two fraight and the work of the work

PATRIOTS' \$19,000; **BIG, IN WASHINGTON**

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'Kiss and Tell' road company is a January booking following Ruth Gordon's appearance in her own play, 'Over 21.

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Current Road Shows

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'Icecapades'

vades'—Maple Leaf Gardens (8-10); Forum, Montreal Toronto (12-18).

(12-18).

'Jackpot' — Forrest, Philadelphia
(8-18).

'Jane Eyre'—Aud., Oakland, Cal.
(8): Senior High School, Sacramento
(10-11); Aud., Portland, Ore. (13-14);
Metropolitan. Seattle (15-18).

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(2-18)

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Ramshackle Inn — Walnut, Philadelphia (8-18).

Shakespeare Repertory (John Carradine) — Biltmore, Los Angeles

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Sons o' Fun'—Taft And., Cincinnati 18-11); American, Louis (13-18).

Storm Operation—Maryland, Baltimore (9-18) 'premiere').

Student Frince'—Nixon, littsburgh '8-11); Hanna, Cleveland

(13-18).

"Three's a Family' (2d Co.)—Aud., Rochester, N. Y. 18); Erlanger, Buffalo (9-11); Royal Alexandra, Toronto (13-18).

"Tobacco Road'—Lafayette, Detroit

(8-18).
'Tomorrow the World' (2d Co.)—
Selwyn, Chicago (8-18).
'Without Love'—Geary, San Francisco (8-18).

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Pre-Xmas Slump Sets In: 'Victory's' \$35,674 Tops B'way: 'Lovers' 24G in 1st Wk.; 'Carmen' Smash 251/3G in 4 Times

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"Merry Widow," Majestic (18th wcck) (O-1.895; \$3.30). Slipped, but box office line indicates the momentum of business here; estimated around \$24,500.

"Othetto," Shubert (8th week) (D-1,325; \$3,30). Around \$23,000; all house will hold; has topped previous engagements of this Shakespearean tragedy and should go through Jan-uary.

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Burial was in Mexico City under auriless of the theatrics unions. Widow and a young son survive:

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Survived by mother and father, LOUIS BERMAN

Louis BERMAN
Louis Berman, 50, superintendent
of Warners Sunset Studio, died Nov.
29 in Hollywood after a heart attack.
He had been with the company continuously for 20 years.

Mrs. Minnle Chapman, 70, former violinist with the Boston Symphony orchestra, ied Nov. 29 in Elyria, O. She had also conducted old Righto theatre orchestra, there for many

Bonnie Baker to Wed Lt. J. H. Morse Today (8)

Bonnie Baker, former vocalist with Orrin Tucker's orchestra secured a license to wed Lt. John H. Morse in N. Y., yesterday (Tucsday) and the ceremony is to be performed to day (Wednesday). Miss Baker gave

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Margery Finkel to Capt, Lowen, Pittsburgh, Nov. 18, is the daughter of William Pitt exhib.

Shirley Metz to Major Simut C. Frank, U.S.M.C., Dec. 4, New York, Bride is: associate publicity direc-tor of National Concert Artists Corp.

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Pals in Song, Too

Capitalizing quickly on the headlines is new time titled 'Franklin, Winston, Kai-Shek and Joe. which made its appearance this week, published by Mills

Writer is Carence Gaskill.

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Broadway legil's big boxoffice keeps rolling along, the usual preslump having only a slight effect this year. Major dent, how-ever, may be made this week because of the flu epidemic, with ticket cancellations Monday (13) being as high as 50% of orders at some

great pre-holiday hypo (Continued on page 53)

Balaban Gifts Bill of Rights' To U.S. Library

The 'Bill of Rights' in manuscript form, only important historical docu-ment not included in official Govment not included in onceat Gov-ernment archives, has been pur-chased by Barney alaban, prez of Paramount, and will be presented by him to the Library of Congress. Au-nouncement of the gift was made yesterday (14) by the Treasury De-(Continued on page 54)

Liquor Shortage Increasingly Felt By | 'CARMEN', 'VOICE' | Flu Hits Players in Hollywood And B'way Casts; Also Affects B.O.

Cause to Cheer

Jerry Lawrence, WMCA, N. Y., dise jockey, interrupted his Thursday (9) noon show for an ecstatic flash; "Frank Sinatra has just been placed in 4F. Come on—let's give him a real round of applause."

Sinatra's Pitt Biz Surprises, But In Reverse-It's 4F

neverse—Its 4f
Pittsburgh, Dec. 14.
Scoond week of Frank Sinaturs'
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GINNY SIMMS BACK TO COAST THURS. (16)

Ginny Simms winds up her New York visit with a Columbia recording York visit with a Columbia recording session tomorrow (16) and starts back for Hollywood Friday. Despite being heekled by midd this attacks since her arrival Bast tess than three visits and starts and the start of the start of

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Perlberg to Coast After N. Y. Filmusical Talks

ill Perlberg, 20th-Fox producer, returns to Hollywood this weekend after conferring with Billy Rose on Diamond Horseshoe' for a filmusical, and with Oscar Hammerstein 2d and Bighard Rodgers on State Fair. and with Oscar Hammerstein 2d and Richard Rodgers on State Fair, which they are musicalizing for 20th. Perlberg also plans a 'Claudia' sequel and is talking things over with Rose Franken, author of the latter.

Lois Wilson Stricken

Portland, Ore., Dec. 14.

Lois Wilson, star of silent films, was brought to a Portland hospital Friday suffering from pneumonia. Her condition upon admission to hospital was reported flust fair by

hospital was reported just tair or physician.

Miss Wilson has mother role a Junior Miss, due to open here a public auditorium for three days starting Thursday (16). She was in Boise, Idaho, when taken ill and brought by train to Portland, with Eddie Augent of cast accompanying her.

Osborn Back to Metro Paul Osborn, author of The Inno-cent Yoyage, at the Belasco, N. Y., goes to the Coast next, week to work under his term contract with Metro. He wrote the screenplays of the same studio's 'Cry Havoc' and 'Madame Curie.'

Grab That Gag

Hollywood, Dec. 14. Johnson had his Boswell, and now Bob Hope and Bing Crosby have a stenographer following them around on the Paramount lot as they toss airy persillage on the Road to Utonia set.

Gal is assigned to salvage im-promptu pearls of wit for pos-sible use in the script.

Share-the-Ride On Uniform Sked

Hollywood, Dec. 14.

Studios contemplating stundardization of work line to meet impending gas cut. Pointed out different
work starting and quitting times at
various studios makes difficult ridesharing plan.

DPA recently warned that unless

sharing plan.

OPA recently warned that unless share-the-ride plan adopted all around, nobody would be riding. New gas cut expected to seriously cripple transportation due to town's spread and lack of rolling stock to handle population.

Costello's Director Gag (Lucas Tello) **Upsets Three Studios**

Hollywood, Dec. 14. It started as a gag at Monogram and wound up in a case of jitters at Universal, where the excess went into an apoplectic huddle and de-clared it wasn't true. Which it

Any rumors to the effect that. I am going to direct a motion picture are not, true. Bud Abbott and I are too busy right how with our radio program and our preparations for returning to the screen in the near future, even to think about

near future, even to think about directing.

One circumstance that lent credence to the gag was the fuct that Costello had been laid up for eight months, with rheumatic fever, and there was talk that he might not be sturdy enough to resume his robust antics on the screen.

RKO GIVES BACK JOBS TO 14 EX-SERVICEMEN

Hollywood, Dec. 14. RKO is carrying out its wartine oledge by reemployment of 14 for-ner studio workers who have been sischarged from the Army and Navy. No actors have returned to date, but the pledge covers everybody who left the studio to join the armed

Auster Ends 20th Stav

Hollywood, Dec. 14. Islin Auster, associate producer at 20th-Fox for 11 months, checked off the lot and will take a vacation be-fore announcing a new affiliation in

January.

During his stay in the Westwoodstudio Auster worked on 'Guadalcanal Diary' under supervision of
Bryan Foy and did a preparatory
job on 'Stranger On the Highway.'

HITCHCOCK'S STOPOFF

LaPLANTE'S COMEBACK
Hollywood, Dec. 14
Laura LaPlante, star of silents, is
coming out of rettement.
Metre has agned her to a contract.



78TH WEEK!

KEN MURRAY'S "RI ACKOUTS OF

Ef Capitan Theatre, Hollywood, Cal

Odets Walks Out On Warners Deal

Too much 'pushing arou explanation given by Clifford Odets or collapse of his \$65,000 deal with Warner: for the scripting of his unfinished play, An Errand for Uncle. Price of \$40,000 for the drama, plus \$25,000 ior secretal writing, had been talked but not signal tored, when the dramaths, suddenly pulled out and went to work for RKO. collapse of his \$65,000 deal

Calling it a case of great con-tions—great disappointment. Odets declared he walked off the Burbank lot because there was too much petty bickering over minor details. The play, two-thirds firitished, reverts to the author, who says he will finish it as a stage piece. Currenty he is Calling it a case of 'great ex the author, who says he will miss it as a stage piece. Currently he is doing a polish job on None but the Lonely Heart, to be filmed by RKO as a Cary Grant starrer.

Moss Hart to Coast For Wyler Talks On 'Winged Victory' Pic

Hart leaves for the Coast torrow (Thursday) by Army bomber for confabs with Lt. Col. William Wyler, who will direct the picture version of 'Winged Victory.' Studie deal has not yet been set, though it looks like 20th-Fox's terms, \$1.000,-000 down payment and percentage, suit Army Emergency Relief the best. Film will be in color.

Wyler is with the Army Air Forces 1st Motion Picture Unit at Culver City, and that is where Hart will headquarter while on the Coast. Preheadquarter while on the Coast. Pre-ceding Hart by two days, having left yesterday 'Tucsday), is Lt. Irving Lazar, general production manager of the show, who will handle initial details on the film.

Latt, never having directed a film, prefers Wyler for that chore, though Hart will write the screenplay. Another factor in any film deal is that the entire Army Air Forces personnel in the stage production must be used on the celluloid.

While Latt and Technology.

While Hart and Lazar are on the Cuast, Lt. Benjamin Landis, co-pro-duction manager for the Air Forces, is in charge of the show at the 44th

Score of Winged Victory' was put on wax this week for a Decca al-bum of two records, four sides, to sell for \$2.50.

FRANK SULLIVAN

'A Curtsy to the Theatre and

the Joys It Afforded ln

VARIETY'S Forthcoming 38th Anniversary Number

THE BERLE-ING POINT

By Milton Berle

Moved to a new aparlment last week. Had to. We lived in the former residence of Marshall Field and each week the agent would come in and wallpaper it with old editions of PM.

varipager it wint one cantons of Pia.

One thing about that house I'll miss is the doorman. He was very ented. Each time he whistled he got a taxicab, a blonde, a brungt and

the con on the corner even affects the music on the radio. You get flarry James-we get

It's quite cold up there. When you open Esquire the Varga girls as

- Hold everything! Got a wonderful idea. Going to produce a musicul called Arkansas to get the overflow from Oklyhoma. Don't want to appear facetions, but wouldn't you say that ownershi of property in Berlin was a rather bad investment?

Now that Capt. Clark Gable has returned to Hollywood, Capt. Stewart has been sent across. That's MGM for They've got a star on every front.

Was alad to see Jimn

New York Runaround

Some decades ago, when Kornheiser was one of the guiding beacons of the Feist Music Co. a certain young composer kept Kornheiser was one of the crashing his gates, trying to peddle his lunes. ut Kornheiser's good ear, listening to the music, turned a deaf car to the neophyte's persistent pleas.

In the forthcoming Paramount picture, 'Hail the Conquering Hero,' one of the highlights will be a barroom son . Home to the Arms of It was composed by the producer-director-writer of the picture. Mother. Presion Stur It's being published by Sidney Kornheiser of Famous Music.

It took two generations of Kornheisers to have a song of mine published, but through the courtery of God and Paramount I made it!, Sturges wired id when he heard the good news.

Tottlugs

Brille Pyle is delighted with the news that Jimmie-Gleason will portray tim in Lester Cowain's screening of 'liter' is Your War'. John Moses, is sparing no expense in his readway slebut as producer of 'Store, Pipe Bat'. Miles White will do the costumes, Stowart Chaney the sets, and Rouben Law to Boursh him mins Ells Kasan, , as soon as he finishes 'Lockowsky and the Colonel,' he'll be 1-A...during Noel, Coward's three-week visit here, he will acid on ishall of his friend. Terrence Rattlean, now on active duty as aerial gunner, and lend his editorial supervision to John C. Wilson with Ernest Coosart and Brevely Roberts heading the each. ...that hunchen huddle between Cole Porter and Hal Wallis in the Gotillion Room of the Pierre means that Porter will report to Warner Bros, for his film block immellately following the Jan. 20 preem of 'Mexican Hayvite'..., and on. ... Joan Bennett and Waller Wanger at the Sherry-Schelerland, ... Jack and Ann Warner at the Waldorf Asiorlas ... Ernest Consort at the Afgenquin.

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KY. WANTS THE KUDOS

Fox's 'Indiana' Pic Shut In Blue Gravi

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 14.
Kentuckians, notoriously, a state-concious people, are not altogether sold on the idea of having an Indiana label on a racehorse picture filmed against a Kentucky background. The picture in question is 20th Century-Fay. "Home in Indiana," due for an picture in question is 20th Century-Fox 'Home in Indiana,' due for air early release. The local Board of Commerce, some civic groups and not a few individuals, have written Hollywood suggesting that since the part of the picture was filmed in Indiana. it, should be adorned with some other title, preferably Ken-tucker.

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6-Yr.-Old Transmitter Served Allies in 1st Program Out of Italy

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Washington, Dec. I.
First Allied news program oroadcast out of Italy was on a six-yearold transmitter which had been
moved to the Mediterranean from a
little island in the South Pacific,
Army public relations has Just disclosed.

closed. Five-ton unit, nicknamed The Relic, was shipped from the Pacific North Africa in 1942, where it first operated for the Army. It was sent into Sielly with the invasion forces, and was used to relay prescopy back to North Africa for transmission to this country. Immediately after the invasion of Italy it

CBS PACKAGING PIX TALE

Sevared Blasts 'High Pressure' War Ads—Phonies to the Servicemen

AUSTONAL SOURCE ROSEN

A couple hundred of the excess in advertising who are responsible for the radio commercials and newspaper-magazine likely pressure adstant go overboard on invincibility of numbs better slant on the real picture. and accordingly do a better job on cupy, if they were forced to take a hop over a Burma Jungle in EPIC Securities of the Service of the substantial of the sub nes and the newspapers, 'They're just kids,' says Sevareid.

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Hollywood. Dec. 14.
Lawrein myster is resuming in production from the resuming in production of his clores as a member of the executive board. For the last year he has given his fall time to his board duties. Weingartein produced numerouse pictures on the Culver (till vol. among them "Easepe." The Last of Mrs. Cheyney and Too Hot of Handle! His new schedile calls for at least four productions per year.

Bill Goetz Sets Henie For Pic Away From Fox

Hollywood, Dec. 14.

Sonja Henje and 20th-Fox agreed to a cancellation deat of one picture next year, and skating star signed with William Goelz for one or more pictures for International. pictures for International.

First will be in Technicolor, 'It's a
Pleasure,' to start after she completes
her current tour.

Metro Holds Garnett

Hollywood, Dec. 14,
Metro handed Tay Garnett a new
director contract following his completion of two features under the

old pact.
Films which wound up the old deal are Bataan and The Cross of

J. C. NUGENT

'Women and Chivalry'

The 38th Anniversary

Number of VARIETY

(The Post-War Show Business Edition)

Coward Pauses in N.Y. On Way to Entertain

Wounded in S. A. Hosps Noel Coward, after arriving in

New York on Wednesday () on a two or three-week pleasure detour. two or three-week, pleasure detour, theli a press interview on Thursday (9) in the offices of John C. Wison, he was a present of the politics and took in all was stationable between. Coward, who only recently returned to England after a four of the Middle Enst as a representative of the Entitle Enst as preprietable of the Entitle Ministry of Income of the England After a four proute to South Africa, where he will formation, is slopping off here en route to South Africa, where he will raise funds for the community war chest there. He will also tour the hospitals to entertain the wounded. While touring the Middle East, Coward did a 45-60-minute turn, in-cluding his latest song, 'Don't Let's Be Beastly to the Germans,' which,

Die Bestilt der Unter Gewannst which, he säde, gibt an murvelbur reception from the men. He expressed tree mendous admiration, for General Essenbower, who, told him that he mendous admiration, for General Essenbower, who, told him that he combat like easy wisse-cracks on böth sides which are not true reflections of British-American relations. General des combat like easy wisse-cracks on böth sides which are not true reflections of British-American relations of General Paker in the same relations of the same relations of the same relations of the same relations of the same relations are same relations and the same relations of the told how he had been a last-minute substitute for Benny when the latter was bedded in Cairo and left Larry Adler-alone with an audience of 5,000 servicemen. Coward said that Adler hall carried the show for quite a while, telling stories, joking and playing his harmonica until Coward could be found in take were the test of the show.

the rest of the show.

In answer to questions about his presont and future stage plans, Coward statent that two camera crews had just completed film versions of Billite Spirit and "This Happy Billite Spirit and "This Happy two plays Coward is saving for post-war Broadway presentiation. The older is Pleasant Laughter! He is beloiding off these plays because they have parts too juicy for him to allow presented these plays on a 28 week form of England and Scotland last year.

Coward also chimrd in with chorus of praise coming out of Eng-land for Irving Berlin's "This Is the Army." He said it was 'terrific' and 'a tonic' for the British public.

Coward is mystified at the recep-tion his Beasily to the German's song first received in England, and explained that he had sung the song on the air and left the following da on his Middle Eastern tour, but had on his Middle Eastern tour, but had straightened out the situation by a radio appearance on his return. Coward said he wrole the song in a moment of irritation against the sen-timentalists who would pamper the Germans.

Commans.

Coward insisted that he was here for pleasure and intended to make no appearances. His scheduled talk at the N. Y. Civic Center opening Saturday (11) was cancelled due to his catching the flu.

PITCH TO BUYERS

CBS is in the process of launching CBS is in the process of launching an ambitious program which, if utilized to its fullest extent, would place at the network's command an imposing array of picture talent for radio and would establish transcontinental auditioning transcription

tion.
Columbia's plan embraces whip ping together half-hour package shows of Coast talent or spotting in-dividual personalities, with the discs to be sent east to be peddled to po-tential supposers

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To permit CBS affeient the wind pros-pective buyers, the network exect will protect themselves with a 60 or 90-day option clause.

Thus fay as an experiment Colum-bia has waxed one program. feature the CBS holding a 13-week ontolo. Win CBS holding a 13-week ontolo. Win CBS holding

a 13-week option.
In line with the CBS policy of

In line with the CBS policy of building its own shows for sale to its sponsors, so that no sponsor need ever leave the web for falent, it's felt that when the program is fully functioning the network's policy will be strengthened by the expanded roster of radio recruis through the transcontinental au itioning method.

RKO to Sponsor Radio Program

Hollywood, Dec. 14.

RKO is reportedly all set on sponsoring a daytime show on the Mutual network—the first web show to ever originale from that lot.

Details are still being worked out on the format of the show, but if are ported it will be a five-times-a-week program, with probably a morning.

program, with probably a morning spot. Whether or not it will fea-ture studio stars is also undeter-

ture studio stars is also unacter-mined as yet.

Metro is the only other studio cur-rently represented by a network program take Mitual), but its 'Peo-ple's Reporter' show is an off-the-

HAYMES GETS PAYNE'S PICTURES AT 20TH-FOX

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Raynes. First Haynes starrer is

Louisville Lou.' to be produced by

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with the George Jessel's first producer

cliore on the, Westwood lot.

Jolson East Xmas

Al Jolson is due east around Xmas. Al Jolson is due east around Xmas, and thence to his Miami Beach retreat for the winter until February. He starts Minstel Boy's green aito-Jolson is now in Hollywood, where he went as soon as recovered from his fit-malaria attack, to do 'lite 'Swance' stin in the Goorge Gershwin blog at Warners. Jolson donated his services.

Merton With Int'l

Hollywood, Dec. 14.
Jack Mcton, recent Army dischargee, named easting director for Goetz-Spitz International Pictures.
He was formerly easter for Paramount and Goldwyn.

ON WAX FOR N.Y. | Warners to Shelve 'H'wood Canteen' If SAG Rules Full Scale for Stars

DAMON RUNYON

'The Twain Shall Meet'

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Bronston Clears Rights With Billy Mitchell's Ex-Wives for Pic Biog

EX-WIVES TOT FIC DIOS

Samuel Bronston, indie producer.
is all set lo go on his 'Billy Mitchell'
sat. After two years of dickering
wives, of the late World War I are,
wives, of the late World War I are,
the Army accepted Bronston's offer
of contributing part of the profits to
he Army Air Forces Aid Society.
he Army Air Forces Aid Society.
book to which Bronston bought the
pic tights, secured permission from
the two widows. He'll release
through United Aistender of Mitchell's (latter died in 1936) acting
as technical advisor. as technical advisor.

Bronston also produced 'Jack Lon don,' just released through UA.

BENNY FIELDS WILL BE PRC'S 'MINSTREL MAN

Hollywood, Dec. 14. roducers Releasing Corp. signed my Fields to star in Minstrel Benny Fields to star in 'Minstrel Man.' a musical based on the his-tory of blackface shows and reviv-ing oldlime ballads.

ing oldlime ballads.
Picture: based on a story by Marim Mooney and Ray Schrock, will
be produced by Leon Fromkess,
with Harry Revel as associate producer. In addition, Revel is writing
four new funes for the film, in collaboration with Paul Webster.

Theatre Guild Reps East With Studio Play Deals

Hollywood, Dec. 14.
Lawrence Languer and Lois Jacoby, in town for two weeks to discuss the sale of various Theatre Guild stage properties to major film stu-dios, left for New York after ap-pointing Reeves Espy, of the Myron Selznick office, as official Coast rep-

Any deals Espy may arrange with the stu ios will be relayed to New York for approval by the Guild board.

Bracken, Poisoned By Makeup, Stalls 2 Pix

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Ilollywood, Dec. 14,
Eddie Brackens siege of undeup
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convenients illness, the control
shard. As a result, the start of Fun
Time' was postponed to await Technicolor equipment now used in
Rainbow.

YOUR COPY OF VARIETY MAY BE LATE

Because of the exigency of war-time transportation, Variety' may be late sometimes in reaching you, especially during the Xmas mail rush.

Delays occur after 'Variety' leaves our offices and are caused by conditions beyond-our control.

Hollywood, Dec. 14 Warners' 'Hollywood Canteen' will remain dry another week. Cameras won't grind pending a decision by the Screen Actors' Guild board of

directors next Monday night (201 as to whether bars will be lifted on rule 33, which provides that 'it shall be conduct unbecoming a Guild member to perform in any motion picture without compensation, or for compensation substantially lower than the normal salary of the performer.

Following lengthy session yesterday (Monday) afternoon between SAG tops and Warner reps over ments for guest stars and pers

ties desired by the studio,

stated no conclusions were reached and that the matter would be considered at the SAG directors' meeting Dec. 20. The Guild added, however, that no changes or waivers of the rule had been made.

It was stated that representatives informed the Guild that they would analyze the position of their production in relationship to rule 33.

tion in relationship to rule 33.
In the meantime, Warners had suspended, production on the picture, when the picture of the pi

gross, with be snewed.

Studio is reported to have suggested it be permitted to make deals with players on basis of guest raillo appearances. SAG is said to be sympathetic with the situation, but feels that letting the bars down in this case would result in future complications.

tions.

In the case of 'Stage Door Canteen' no action was taken, but Guilders now feel that was a mistake and that to follow suit in the case of 'Holly-wood Canteen' would merely aggravate the situation and nutility rule as the stage of th

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Boys in So. Pacific Say They Know All NEWSREELS AID ODT ON About the War. So 'Send Escapist Pix'

Southwest Pacific. The amusement industry in the Southwest Pacific holds more thrills than the same business on Broadway In my 15 years of operating the Topper Ballroom in Cincinnati and industry in the

In my 15 years of operating the roper Ballioper on Chicago and Chi autographs. The congeniality of the name acts did more for the mer than the show itself.

One for the Books

toan the show-section was held to be a continued to the biggest straids the section has ever seen. Between cell after sand condition green Jim and his trouge hopped up on the imbowling for more. It took us four hours to put the show on and full man the sang were worn out from childing from the show on and the sang were worn out from childing from the show on and the sang were worn out from the sang were worn out for the sang were were sangle for the sangle san

buy bonds, donate blood and give up something. Imagine this in a clear-ing in a jungle, with palm tree log seats, the tropical sky overhead and the nearest box office thousands of miles away. That's one of our (Continued on page 55)

HOLIDAY CAMP TOUR

FOR 120 FILMITES Hollywood, Dec. 14.

Hollywood, Dec. 14.
Hollywood Victory Committee, in collaboration with the War Dept, has laid out 85 routes for film players to visit service men in camperate of the control of the contr

Schoenfeld's 'Variety'

Piece Bought for Picts 'Soldiers in Greasepaint,' by Joe Schoenfeld of 'Variety' and originally appearing in this paper, has been purchased by Universal for use as a prolog to 'Hip, Hip Hooray,' musi-

calfilm now in production.

Greasepaint, a tribute to actors touring the fighting fronts, will probably be read for the film by George Raft.

Lt. Col. Farnol Writes

Editor, 'Variety':

Editor, Variety:

I got promoted. My work has expanded and the whole job of training has an increasing importance and an increasing excitement. Have had the rare privilege of traveling and valuing station, after station, our own great and its getting better. Honest, there is a sense of something getting done.

donc.
Do you know the London version
of 'Sweet 16 and Never Kissed?' It's
'Sweet 16 and Never Been Out With

Chicago, Dec. 14.

By-passing USO and sending a check for \$500 direct to USO-Camp Shows, Inc., last week was Joe Fusco and Milton Ericetinally way of showing their appreciation for the fine work the camp show organization has done for the men in the service.

Material Appreciation

Joe Fusco has several relatives in the Pacific who have spoken glowingly of the shows and what they mean to the men overseas. Milton Friedman has a son flying in India who mentioned his ap-preciation of the USO-Camp Shows he has seen. Money will ed over to USO.

SERVICE GALS ALSO GET 50% OFF AT PIX

Minneapolis, Dec. The gals in service get a break finally at the Paramount circuit theatres in this territory. C. B. Stiff, theatres in this territory. C. B. Stiff, district manager, has announced that the WACS, WAVES, etc., will be entitled to the same half-price admission as service men have enjoyed since the outbreak of hostilities. The reduced price for the service girls will be in effect at all of the chain's houses.

Independent exhibitors, for the independent exhibitors, for the most part, also have had, special prices for service men. It's expected that many will follow the big circuit's lead in extending the concession to the girls.

H'wood's Gimmick Row Locale for Sailor Pic

Hollywoor', Dec. 14.
Columbia picked a natural back-ground for outdoor shots on 'Sailor's Holiday,' tale of a mariner on leave... Holitaxy, fair of a mariner on leave.

Location consists of two blocks on
Cahuenga Blvd, whither the soldiers
and scamen are attracted by the
USO and the Hollywood Canteen. In
addition to these patriotic enterprises, the neighborhood teems with quickie photograph galleries, souve-nir shops and other newborn coin-snatchers which are doing a tre-

Recruiting Film Upped Enlistments 81% in N.Y.

Campaign to increase enlistments in the U. S. Army Aviation Cadet Corps, in which New York theatres participated, has been a 'smashing success,' according to Lt, W. H. Feldhus, public relations officer for the N. Y. Recruiting and Induction District. Lt. Feldhus reports an Intrict. Lt. Feldhus reports an In-crease of 81% in Cadet enlistments

over the previous month

Theatres in the five N. Y. boroughs showed a technicolor recruiting trailer and staged enlistment rallies,

HOLIDAY RAIL JAMUP

Confronted with the possibility that Christmas-New Year's passen-ger travel will be the heaviest in railroad history, and with virtually all Pullman space already bought up, the Office of Defense Transportation is attempting to discourage traveling via a 90-second clip to be attached to via a 90-second clip to be attached to all newsreels soon. Joseph B, East-man, director of ODT, also plans going on a nation-wide radio hookun some time this week asking people to defer business trips whenever

to defer business trips whenever they can.

In hopes of averting holiday jams where possible, the ODT has author-ized railroads to run special trains-or extra sections during the next six weeks where necessary to meet de-mands for transporting members of avend forces.

H'wood Sent 14 Abroad

Six troupes, composed of 14 film names, left for overseas tours in No-vember, according to a report re-leased by the Hollywood Victory

Committee.
Entertaining soldiers in various sections of the globe are Gary Cooper, Phyllis Brooks, Una Merkel, Cooper, Phyllis Brooks, Una Merkel, Errol Flynn, Martha O'Driscoll, Ruth Carroll, Jimmy Dodd, Jascha Heifetz, Humphrey Bogart, Mayo Methot, Joel McCrea, Don Barclay, Joe E. Brown and Harry Barris.

Frisco Setting Gala Xmas

Festival for Service Men restival for Service Men San Francisco will stage a two-day Christmas party for all service men in the city and has arranged a comprehensive program of enter-tainment from stage, sereen, radio and night clubs to supplement a dance shindig in which the San Francisco municipal band will bear the between the comprehensive thereon.

Francisco municipal band will bear the brint of the murical burden. Headquarters for the committee have been set up in Low's Warfield the-atre building.

Party will be staged at the civic auditorium starting at 2 pm. Fri. (24). All the citys war servic agencies and civic organizations are agencies and civic organizations are was launched by the San Francisco Hotel Association. Dan Gallagher is chairman.

Pix Top Chest Goal

Hollywood, Dec. 14.
Film industry, with 22,382 individual donations, contributed \$1,154,126
to the Los Angeles War Chest, according to a final report by Y. Frank
Freeman, chairman of the Motion
Picture Committee.
Total for the Los Angeles distributed

Total for the Los Angeles district was \$7,327,947, or more than seven percent above its original goal.

CAMP LEE FORMS TROUPE

Camp Lee, Va., Dec. 14.
Camp Lee has formed a soldier theatrical group designed for regimental dramatic productions,
More than a dozen Lecines
number with Broadway acting

Uncle Sam's Callboard

Geo. Fraser Back at Col.
Green Fraser Back at Col.
Green Fraser has rejoined Col.
Interpolation department following exploitation department following the Carmy due to a stomach allment,
He left Columbia last September to become a volunteer officer candidate and was stationed in Mich.
Emilion Sixther in Tereland's Sixther Star John L. Freeland's Sixther Si

Roy Newman With Seabees

Gulfport, Miss, Dec. 14.
Roy G. (Gordon) Newman, formerly of the vaude team of Gordon and Healy and Gordon and Dean, is now with the Seabees here.
He's been assigned as file clerk at the base postofice.

Hendrix's Draft Jam

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first wave of essualt troops at

Sceditti, Sielly, during the invasion

last July.

Wolff With Coast Guard
Lother Wolff, film editor of 'March
of Time,' went on active duty in the
U. S. Coast, Guard after, being sworn
in as a licutenant in the Coast Guard

Laruer's Heroism
Henry 'Hank') Lärner, who left
Paramount's publicity department a
year and a half ago to join-the
American Field Service of the Army,
was mentioned last week in a diapatch to the N. Y. Sun, sent from
(Continued on page 47)

'A New Function for a Smart Saloon'

By SHERMAN BILLINGSLEY le One of the Features in the

Post-War Show Business'

Which Is the Theme of VARIETY'S

38th Anniversary Number

ISSUE NEW FOLIOS FOR SOLDIER SHOWS Washington, Dec. 14.

In Nov. On Morale Duty
Six troupes, composed of 14 film
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Folio No. 11 contains eight original adecides writen specially for the purpose, including 'The Voice in the buryone, including 'The Voice in the Wind,' by Nora's Stirling,' 'Pack UD, 'Wind,' by Nora's Stirling,' 'Pack UD, 'Dougle,' 'What Will You İsvo,' by Joe Huberman and John T. W. Martin,' 'A Loan at Last.' by 'Sang Werris,' 'AL Gonny He, 'Erickis,' 'Monolog for a Sirver, and 'Auto Loans,' by Drivis and Jack Barnett. The folio also includes one Canach Caravan's script, two 'Don'y scripts, two Jack Pearl, two 'Don'y scripts, two Jack Pearl, two 'Don'y scripts, two Jack Pearl, 'Stellon, Edga,' Bergen, and Kay Kyser shows. Folio No. 11 contains eight origin-

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the Writers War Boaid committee on
scripts, for soldier and sallor shows,
of which Dorothy (Mrs. Richard)
Rodgess is chairman.

Mort Lewis' Scripts

Mort Lewis' Scripts
Script writer Mort Lewis is compiling material for a series of booklets of special comedy blackouts and
sketches for the use of wounded
soldiers and saliors in hospitals. He's
seeking contributions from various
mumber of monolog skits or ore use
ing only two or three characters.
Material about everyday service life,
including hospital situations, etc., is
preferred.

including hospital situations, etc., is preferred. Lewis is working through the Writers' War Board committee on scripts for soldier and sailor shows,

War Loan Leaders To Meet With Exhibitors

Hollywood, De. 14.

Four War Loan Industry leaders headed by Mars Skouras len Tuesday 133 for Ches Skouras len Tuesday 133 for Ches Skouras len Tuesday 133 for Ches Skouras len Tuesday 134 for Ches Skouras len Tuesday 135 for Ches

Buchanan's Post

Barry Buchanan, for the past two years in charge of special events for the War Finance Division of the U. S. Treasury Dept. is now stone indeed in Los Angeles as coordinator for the Treasury and the film industrial for the part of the will work with the office of the will work with the office of the WFD in Los sociate field director of WFD in Los Angeles.

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Angeles.

Buchanan was the special Treasury rep working with S. Charles Einfeld, WB. in the Second War Loan drive and worked with RKO's E. L. Alperson on the recen. Hollywood Bond

N.Y. to L.A.

Jeanne Cagney, Mildred Gilman, John McMillin. Buddy Morri Faul Osborn, Thomas G. Rockwell. Jerry Wald. Hal B. Willis. H. M. Werner,

Ella Logan, in N. Africa. Pleads for More Stars To Entertain Fighters

North Africa. Editor, 'Variety':

Editor, "Varisty".

I am writing this in an old farm house barn, "We are entertaining some of our boys and came in here because it is cold and pouring rain outside. Just washed our faces in a helmet bul of veater, contained with a some properties of the source of the isn they sing when I get back to the Good Ole USA. The oldest boy in this outit is 20. How swell they all are. The boys picked roses for us and they were so sweet about presenting them, we almost cried. Ella Logian.

LOOKS LIKE ALL-TIME HIGH FOR DIMES DRIVE

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March of Dimes campaign Jan. 2430, according to a tentitute tabujaschened, national on historias M.
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Indications are that at least 14,000
theatres will enlist in making audie
more collections to fight infantite
paging. This would set an alltime record for industry participation.

Gals in Service to Have Own USO H'wood Otrs.

Uncle Sam's uniformed gals get a break in the new USO. Centre on Hollywood blwd, a four-story building with a special section set aside for servicewomen. For the male armed forces the building is equipped with an auditorium, dance floor, canteen, ilivary and tecreation rooms. It is the 18th USO Centre in the Los Angeles areb.

and recreation rooms. It is the USO Centre in the Los Angeles

Chas. Skouras Sets Aides in Loan Drive

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of the film industry's participation
in the Fourth War Loon, campaign,
has lined up his complete said for
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Wall St. Looks to Continued Sellers Market in Film Distribution Biz

Small Back to Dumas

Hollywood. Dec. 14.
Edward Small registered the title,
'D'Artugnan,' indicating a return to
his favorite author. Alexandre Dumas. for screen material.

Picture, dealing with exploits of the old Musketeers, will be released next summer by United Artists,

Appeal on Sinatra-RKO

as a newsreel outlit had the right

Judge Knox pointed out that Si-natra was asked by authorized rep-

(Continued on page 12)

Freedom of Newsreel (Press) Issue in Time's

Current sellors' market is regarded as the prime reason in financial circles for the continued high free profibetion of the continued high attendance at bulk of pictures, have enabled diagrams and the continued high free profibetion of the continued hi

gent our retreated by the con-part and the con-tract has there are (ewer pictures, with many of them better than usual fare, has proved a leverage in sus-taining the sellers' market. It's sim-ply a case of every schibiotr trying, and the contract of the con-part of the contract of the con-tract of the con-trac

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LICHTMAN TO ENGLAND ON M-G PROD. PARLEYS

some spots this month.
Judge Knox stressed the need for
protecting entertainers wito willingrecentricute their serveree to all
entertainers wito willing
failed to agree with Time's contention that Sinaria's appearance
at Hunter College before about 2,000
AVVES was in the public domain.
MAVVES was in the public domain
lion, it was cutified to cover such.
Time claimed that it covered the
singing event at Hunter's at the requeet of the Nay Department. requeet of the Nay Department. Hidlywood, Dec. 14.
Al Lichtman sloves off for England shortly after the holidays to huddle with Sir Alexander Korda and Ben Goetz on future Metro production in London.

While he is away Lichtman's executive board duties will be shared by other board members.

Pic Riders Forced By Gas Pinch to Double Up

GAS FIRCH TO DUBBLE UP
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Heast Blasts 'Hostages' In Hun As 'Communistic'

an run As 'Communistic'
Boston, Doc. 14.

The Record-American "Hearst,
gave 'Hostage's the usual server basting in reviews following premierc at the M. & P. Paramount
and Fensay theatres, charging the
pellure as plain Communism masquernating under the guise of Czech
the Coast under the by-line of
Thomas Reddy.'
According to Hearst drawn der

According to Hearst drama depl o local reviewers looked in on the

Brown's PCA Trio

Plollywood, Dec. 14.
roducers Corp. of America has signed Harry Joe Brown to a contract a producer-director.
hree pictures asigned to him carry an argaregate bidget of \$2.500,000.

'Lifeboat' Into Astor

Lifeboat. Into Assor Lifeboat. Alred litheheek pro-duction for 20th-Fox. opens at the Assor theatre, New York, Jan. 6 as a roadshow. Metro stinucase was turned over to 20th for the showing following regotiations between company top-ners.

FAST, SOMÉ SLOW

all the way from the flow of a small, amount of product from some majors, to terms which many accounts, feel are out of lime-film selling has reached what is regarded. In that data the most variable ever experienced. This goes all the way couple of deals in the exchange territory of one lesser distributor, on sales approaching 100% in the branch region of another.

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Seating is not a notice;

Selling is not on an even, leet, also, because companies which have shorts to market are held up at the beginning of new seasons in an effort to push the beriefen with feature at least one "aujor which has almost with stubborness refused to consider shorts along with features, not make the subject of the latter condition of the students of the latter condition of the students of the st

Appeal on Sinatra-tKU
Restrained from showing and renru ucing Frank, Sinatra's voice in
Music at Way, Torthcoming March of
Time short, set for Dec. 31 release.
Federal court. Time, Inc., will appeal
to the Circuit Court of Appeals. It
feels that the decision in RKOs favor fulls to settle portions of Jacob
Sinatra sings a song, which was
gratufously given before the
WAVES art user Innier College
ther, in Music, RKO Piets contended
that release of the short would prove
injurious to the distribution of Jis
cedium. Higher and Higher, starsome spots this month, seeding the
some spots this month. Where selling has been slow, it I Where selling has been slow, it has been due, in part, to no immediate need for product among many actions of the part of distributors. Early and small, to obtain higher rentals. The distributors are trying to goar the terms up and the exhibitors are trying to goar the terms up and the exhibitors are trying to goar that nowadays business is so good that nowadays business is so good that anowadays business is so good that so the pictures they have bought and, in pictures they have bought and, in some 'bad ones or site's in research. some 'bad ones' or stick in reissues

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Aside from the bickering overterms, selling has not been as faston the whole as in prior seasons, due
to the delays caused by rejection of
contracts, necessity for renegotiations of contracts and the difficulty experienced by salesmen in getting around to their accounts oftener.

SOME COMPANIES Cowdin Sees Need for Coin Reserve To Help Industry in Post-War Works

BERNARD SOBEL

Harks Back to

'The Midnight Frolice Cycle'

An Editorial Feature of

VARIETY's

Post-War Show Business Number (38th Anniversary Edition)

UA Bluntly Denies Deal Made on Korda's Shares Or With Rank

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stock, but such a purchase would not give Rank control in the company nor would it be likely to facilitate distribution of British product in the (Continued on page 54)

In a late before the National Asneciation of Manufacturers in New
York last Friday (10), J. Cheever
Cowdin, chairman of the board of
Universal Pictures. warned that unless private industry is permitted to
retain sufficient capital it would not
be able to provide post-war jobs for
be able to provide post-war jobs for
be able to provide post-war jobs pointed out that it will be necessary
to provide 2000,000 new pobs when
the war is won. He urged modification of taxation and simplification of
tax returns as one measure to meet
Cowdin advocates three essential
steps as important in the post-war,
reconstruction period. First, simplification of the tax structure in favor
of three or four levies, so simple that

cation of the tax structure in favor of three or four levies, so simple that anyone can understand them and far below current fevies: 2, a balanced Federal budget which will entail drustic reductions in Governmental agencies and employecs: 3, a plan for servicing and paying off the war debt starting immediately after the war ends.

ends.
Cowdin declared that present taxes approach the point of confiscation for many business firms and of diminishmany business firms and of diminish-ing returns for thousands of others, 'As a result,' he said, 'there has been practically no new enterprise in business now for several years...a great section of American business has been caught in a net or rising taxes, rising costs and dwindling

(Continued on page 54)

McGUINNESS, EX-SPORTS ED, ON M-G EXEC BOARD

Hollywood, Dec. 14.

James Kevin McGuinness, producer-writer at Metro, was upped to membership of the executive board, of which Louis B. Mayer is chair-

man.
Former sports editor of the New York Evening Telegraph, McGuinness joined Metro as a writer in 1930. His duties as a board member will take up his full time.

Mrs. Raftery Stricken. **UA Prexy Rushes East**

Hollywood, Dec. 14.
Ed Raftery, UA prexy, rushed back
east Sunday 112) when advised that
his wife had suffered a heart attack.
He had planned to remain here
another 10 days to talk over product
with UA producers.

Edington, Ex-RKO Studio Head, Joins Lyons Agency

Head, Joins Lyons Agency
Harry Edington, former partner of
Frunk Vincent in the agency business, lass Joined A. and S. Lyons ag
After his split with Vincent a few
years ago. Edington became production chief at RKO and turned out
Kitty Foyle and Suspicion, both
of which resulted in Academy
awards, for their state Recently lie
for the same studio but resigned because of easting difficulties.

Keep Hutton Busy

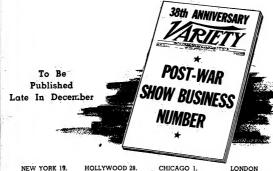
Hollywood, Dec. 14.
Added to Betty Hutton's starring schedule at Paramount is another missient. Out of This World, currently in the writing mill with Sam

rently in the writing min win sem Coslow as asseciate producer. Following Incendiary Blonde, now in production, there are three, films on the Hutton slate. Other two are The Stork Club' and an untitled Mark Saudrich production about the UAAVES.

K-A-0'S \$1.75 DIVVY

Keilth-Alber-Orpheum declared a \$1.75 ca.6; dividend on preferred out of operating surplus to cover quar-ter eading mext ec. 31. Divy is pagnite Jan. 3 to holders of record For 20

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Schenck Says 100G to Bioff Was Loan. Not Shakedown Coin, At Extort Trial

Joseph M. Schenck, executive production head of 2010-792, held the politifier as chief witness for the 64-of the 81,000,000 film shakedown trial before Judge John Bright and a jury in N. Y. Federal court. At conclusion, the control of the 10,000,000 film shakedown trial control of the 10,000,000 film shakedown trial to the control of the 10,000 film shakedown trial to the 10,000 film shakedown trial to the 10,000 film shakedown trial to the 10,000 film shakedown trial
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was there but 'didn't 'recall if all those mentioned had been there.

Q: Did anyone at that meeting discuss the amounts Bioff demanded by the third of the discussion of the d

A. No. sir.'
Q. 'Did William Bioff ever discussions such demands with you?'

A. No. sir.

The witness was then questioned about the \$100,000 payment made to (Continued on page 47)

Haysites Mull Foreign Biz: Coe Back Next Mo.

Adjourned session of the regular December quarterly meeting of the Hays office directorate yesterday riays office directorate yesterday (Tuesday) eoncluded business left unfinished from last week's huddle Most vital problem to come before the directors was the foreign situa-tion, particularly that in Great Britain.

Revealed that Charles Francis Coe. Ry, of the Hays office, now on brief vacation in Florida, would return next month for a series of industry goodwill talks. Coe is scheduled to produce the common talks of the common produced to the common that the common talks of the common fact that to attend to some personal matters, but thereafter will return to N. Y. to resume his official duties with the Motion Picture Producers & Distributors Autor. vealed that Charles Francis Coe

Sentencing of Zevin Postponed Till Dec. 27

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Ky. Claims Pix Cos. Owe State Plenty

State delinquent collectors in Frankfort, Ky., last week filed soul for sums alleged due the State in unpaid income taxes against 11 flum producing, and distributing companies. The petitions were almost identical, except, for income stated and amount of tax clarined from the income tax returns or make payments from 1986 through 1942 was charged in the petitions. charged in the petitions. Suits were based on efforts to show the con-cerns are taxable on businesses such

based on efforis to show the con-cerns are taxeble on businesses such-as operation of theatres; rental of, as operation of theatres; rental of, ment, rental of films on both flat rate and percentage basis, and other tienss in connection with operation in the State. The State sought to collect penalties of 10% on all amounts claimed to be delinquent, and addition to the actual taxes. and amounts claimed delinquent, with out including penalties and interest, were listed as Loew's, Inc., \$18,313; Mayer Distributing Co. \$41,707, when Bros. Pictures, \$12,500; United Pairs, \$14,500; Vilagraph, \$36,762, RKG, \$45,525; Paremount; \$44,620; \$65,846; and Republic Pictures, \$17,624.

SHERMAN TO PRODUCE **EIGHT PIX FOR MONO**

Hollywood, Dec 14.

Eddle Sherman, business manager for Abbott & Costello, has organized tions to make eight pictures for Monogram release, two of which will be delivered by May 1, 1944.
Phil Karlstein, formerly associated with RKO, will function as executive rein.

Fox's \$10.000.000 Net

Fox's \$10,000,000 Net.
Fact hat 30th-Fox was able to show more than \$7,000,000 net profit in the first 38 weeks this year. despite deduction of National Theatre up to July 9th, has caused financial circumstance of the first state of the firs

'Vampire' Loose Again

Hollywood, Dec. 14. Kipling's old 'Yampire' is prowling Kipling's old 'Vampire' is prowling around the Columbia lot again, but not quite in the way Kip would have written it. Latest prowl is 'Bride of the Vampire,' a sequel to 'Return of the Vampire,' a sequel to 'Return of the Vampire,' Chiller is produced by Wallace MacDonald, from a script by Griffin Jay.

Gerard Takes Off at 20th

Hollywood, Dec. 14.

First production assignment for William Gerard under his new contract at 20th-Fox is 'Ladies in Washington,' saled to start within two weeks.

weeks.
Louis King directs, from a script by Wanda Tuchock,

\$7.187.098 Net For 20th in 39 Weeks

Consolidated net profit of \$7,187,098 has been reported by 20th-Pox for the first 39 weeks ended last Sept. 25. Pox for the first 39 weeks ended last Sept. 25. Pox for the first 30 weeks ended last Sept. 25. Pox for the first 30 weeks ended last Sept. 25. Pox for the first 30 weeks ended last year. Net lincluded ended for the first 30 weeks end first 30 weeks end for the first 30 weeks end for the first 30 weeks end for the first 30 weeks end first 30 weeks 40 weeks 4

Twenfieth-Fox net profit is edual to \$3.49 per share, after deducting dividends on new 'prior' preferred and preferred shares, as against \$3.57 a year ago, when dividends were paid on oily one preferred, other not having been issued at that time. Company's net profit for first 39 weeks of 1942 amounted to \$7.255.003.

weeks of 1942 amounted to \$7,286,003. Corporation's gross income totaled \$116.872,388, including vents from tenants, dividends and miscellaneous income besides revenue from sale and rentals of film and theair receipts. Operating and administrative expense amounted 'to \$54,734,745, while amortization of production and other costs are listed as \$29,361,936.

other costs are listed as \$29,361,936.
Report noted that Federal income taxes have been estimated at present rates, amounting to \$18,545,426. Of this total, \$16,194,749 is for excess profits tax less post-war refund of \$1,799,416. Third quarter ended Sept. 25, the consolidated net profit, after all charges, was \$3,343,849.

MARKED NEGLIGENCE CHARGE IN FILM FIRE

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government.
Testimony was that large quantities of film, not in containers because of the metal shortage, were stored in Regal's vaults. Cause of fire was not determined.

Fire Razes Texas Theatre

Fire Nazes Texas Theatre Kountz, Texas, Dec. 14. Fire restroyed the town's only motion pie house the Gay, operated by Mildred Bracken, school (eacher. Plans are under way for another

Loew's Toronto Profits

Toronto, Dec. 14.

Annual statement of Marcus Loew's Theatres, Ltd. (the Uptown and Downtown here) shows a net operating profit of \$283,099 against \$284,192 the previous year and a net profit of \$35,875 compared with \$38,986. (53tement covered period by \$40,000 and
1943.)
After allowing for a year's pre-ferred dividends, net profit was \$6.08 a share against \$7.08 the year before, Net working capital appears at \$822-686 against \$529,379 a year ago. Current assets are listed at \$721,186; current liabilities, \$98.500.

Cotten's.Chiller

Hollywood Dec. 14.
Vanguard Films assigned Joseph Cotten as star of 'The House of Dr. Edwardes,' based on a British mys-tery novel by Francis Beeding. Picture goes into work when Al-fred Hitchcock, signed as director, returns from London.

Lefty's Notebook

By Joe Laurie, Jr.

Coolacres, Cal., Dec. 14.

Dear Joe:

I just was looking over Fannie Illurst's book, 'Showboa', and Pil bet you never knew that way back in 1911 Fannie Hurst just graduated from Washington University, where she made a great fissh writing college plays. Well, sir, 'she was an added attraction at the Columbia in her sketch

Well, sir, sie was an acuco strinction at one Common in mer saccin. That was the year Elsis Janis was getting \$3,000 a week in the Percy Williams' houses. Heard her the other day on the air and she is as great as ever. And Sophic Tucker was one of the leads in a show in Chicago called Merry Mary'. Augustas Thomas then was dramatic editor of the called Merry Mary'. Augustas Thomas then was dramatic editor of the called Merry Mary's Augustas Thomas then was dramatic editor of the called Merry Mary's Augustas Thomas then was dramatic editor of the called Merry Mary's aburly show, was playing at the Columbia tunow Mayfah's as a ... show and was doing \$1,000 a the Columbia tunow Mayfah's as a ... show and was doing \$1,000 a week, which was pleanomental business in those days. Would be for a burly allow 100 to 100. That was the name year my friend, the late Pelik Automatical the groupd doploining the Chieby theatre and said it to the

Jaman, leased the ground adjoining the Globe theatre and sold it to the Automat.

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happy. Variety's First Film Reviews.

That was the year the first picture reviews ever to appear in a newspaper appeared in Variety. Paper reviewed 18 pictures in a little over a
column—the shortest was four lines; the longest 21. Variety' was first
with Bills for Next Week' that year, which took up a half a column, Why.

column—the shorted was four lines, the longest 21. 'Variety was first way believe to the color of the color o

Your pal.

Pix Reexamine Russia's B.O. Outlook With An Eye to Increasing Revenues

The vast notentialities of American Russian theatres, there remains little The vast potentialities of American film product in Russia today, and the future need for more equitable picture rentals, has been brought to the attention of various U. S. film company foreign departments in N. Y. in recent weeks. Judging from the money grosses by U. S. pictures in

Studio Contracts

doubt but that Yank film fare is Problem confronting N. Y. foreign department executives is to work out some formula that will produce proper revenue return to reflect this heightened interest. Consequently, future deals for American product in Russia presage no further deals at \$15,000 to \$30,000 per film for full

Studio Contracts

Robert Speecer Carr indeed writer pace in Machine Common Contract with Merica approach by court. Dolores Ray's minor contract with Merica approach by court. Leo Gorce's player pot renewed by Monogram. Davis signed player contract with Warners approach by court. Leo Gorce's player pot renewed by Monogram. Davis signed player contract with Warners approach by court. Leo Gorce's player pot renewed by Monogram. Signed player contract with Warners approach by court. Leo Gorce's player pot renewed by Monogram. How the Monogram is the monogram in the warners approach by the monogram is the monogram in the warners approach by the monogram is the monogram in the warners approach by Monogram. In the warners approach by Monogram. The monogram is the warners approach by Court and the warners approach by court. Louile Casey drew player ticket a Metro. Monogram is the warners approach by court with the warners approach by court with warners approach by court with the warners

DIXIE'S POST-WAR BUILDING

Film Saleswomen Loom As New Possibility With Dads Drafted

ilm saleswomen loom as a possi-ty here that film salesmen bility here fathers are being drafted in large numbers and the exchanges face the prospect of being shorthanded.

prospect of being short-handed.

At least one brunch insanager, is considering the idea of employing a woman to ill one of several busans with the several busans and the suggested innovation. He believes that most exhibitors would be tickled to death to have a member of the suggested innovation, the best of the several busans are several busans and the several busans are several busans are several busans are several busans are several busans and the several busans are sev

count do a good job.

In the post month, fully a half-dozen experienced film salesmen, married men with children, have been lost to the armed services, and many more have had their classification changed to 4-A and are subject to induction.

If the worst comes to the worst, there'll be more selling and booking by mail and telephone. branch managers indicate.

Before the war there were prac-tically no women film bookers, but

now they're very much in evidence in practically every exchange, re-placing the boys in the service and placing the boys in the silling the hill adequately.

DADS' GREATER DRAFT PROTECTION HELPS SOME

Washington, Dec. 14.

Non-deferrable, bit was officially knocked out last weckend by the War Manopewer Commission and Selective Service; after President Service; after President for the Company of the Commission of Laters, Proxisions end means that their who are theritach bookers, emerging of international control of the Commission of Washington, Dec. 14.

numbers.

The new orders also, give added protection to fathers in radio and motion picture production which are listed as essential industries. Irrespective of order numbers, pre-Pearl Harbor fathers in these industries are not lo be taken until alter nonfathers in the same citegories.

fathers in the same categories.

However, this may not mean too much. Major General Lewis B. Hershey has explained that 1,000,000 pre-Pearl Harbor fathers will probably be drafted by July 1, 1944. The Selective Service pool contains 6,000,000 pre-Pearl Harbor fathers from 18 to 38.

'Fabulous Invalid' Will Be High Budgeter at RKO Hollywood, Dec. 14.

David Hempstead draws The Fab-ulous Invalid, old stage piece by Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman, for his summer uction schedule at RKO.

Picture will be made with a heavy budget and an all-star east, starting early in July.

J. C. Indie Sues Majors For Alleged Conspiracy

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The five circuits, operating 21 thealres in the Jersey City area, are
alleged in have received special
privileges and preference in the distribution of tim. They are Skouras
Theatres Corp., Rousevelt Theatre
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Loew's and RKO.

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California swied \$1.200 for RKO
in a sequence of 'Marine
Raiders' Serific called for rain,
and the rain came without any
collusion between the studio and
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production costs.

Coast's Solo Bills **Weekends Do Well**

Hollywood, Dec. 14:

Solo billing of 'Sahara,' Saturday
and Sunday at the Pantages and
Hillstreet,' is roving a 10-strike, and
being closely watched by other firstrun operators. Sunday's business
due to faster turnovar

run operafors. Sunday's business due to faster Immover topped former Sabbath highs for both house, and sturday's lake ran way alead of double-houders in recent weeks. So four West Coaster with the booking of 'Madame Curie.' Two Paramounts fared exceptionally well with recent soloning on 'Let's Face It. Weekend singling is being especially watched and may become general if public acceptance confunes favorable.

Allied Urges Exhibs Start to Tilt B. O., Not Absorb New Tax

Noting that the Senate Committee Noting that the Senate Committee on Finance has approved an admission tax of 2e on each 10e or fraction thereof and warning that 'any exhibitor who absorbs one penny of this increase is inviting disaster,' Allied States Assn. is advising the atre operators to just immediately to the other contents of the contents of

are operators to set immediately to readjust admission prices in antici-pation of the probable boost in taxes. With costs mounting and prices rising in all other lines. Alled etc-cires, the eshibitors should agure out total price combinations which their percipts, adding that, the ex-hibitor who absorbs any part of this tax increase, in view of conditions in the country today, is a suicidal maniae.

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Each exhibitor will have to figure out his own combinations, but he had better contine himself to addition and forget how, in subtract, Allied exhorts, stating further in a builtein to combine the combiners.

Tet no exhibitor who has been get-ting a total admission of 35c, made up of 31c admission and 4c tax, be ting a torar authorision and 4c tax, be so weak-kneed as to attempt to connuce on a basis of 29a admission and 6c tax. The only safe thing for him to do is to go to 40c, made up of 32c admission and 8c tax, assuming an go no higher.

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hibitor charging a combined 25c ad-mission will have no option except to mission will have monotion except to increase his price, unless he waits he he recroms and found her slumped charge a combined 24c admission, lagarnt a wall with ulood streaming made up of 20c admission and 4c from a garb in her head. Though lax, His next step would be any layer to combination consisting of 21c admission and fie tax. The only after thing for hin in the constitution was taken to Highland to go to 30c consisting of 31c admissions. The invident aroused wice public solvant of the constitution of a city curfew law and change to a city curfew law and

WB, PAR PACE **NEW THEATRES**

Memphis,
Move of several circuits on q.t.
to expand theatre holdings in south
is reported here. Indies and investors not previously connected
with trade are also surveying section with view to post-war expansion.

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No building at present, virtually none, with materials and labor scarce and costly. But past several months marked by flood of inquiries undercover as to sites and prospects for theatre construction in era immediately after war.

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Become known here last week that

Warner Bros. has been particularly
active in laying groundwork for
things to come. In addition to ehecking for possible new appst, circuit
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ern zone manager, investigate pessibility of buying leading house.

Louisville and Little Rock. Definite
propositions are believed to have
been made in both instances, with
on induction yet as to whether dools
understood to have been available
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what Warner is offering today.

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Waugh has looked over other
houses for his New York office, it
was admitted here, but is non-commital about whole subject in public
partnership with M. A. Lighthaun,
has allways been on the affert, for
possible odvances and Lighthaun
office is said to be cataloging potentialities for peacetime additions
to the circuit, already largest of its
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kemmons Wilson, whose Airways
Theatre is the town's newest and
most expansive maloe, indicated his
attitude recently in purchase of the
building housing the Princess, here
on Main Street. Lightman interests
have rinces, a grind western
gallery, under lease for three more years and are not expected to give up the all-day-at-a-dime trade easily if Wilson chooses to operate house himself at termination of lease, as is generally believed in the trade.

Loew circuit, aiready pretty well entrenched in south, has displayed no active interest in expansion as yet, but some activity is reported (Continued on page 12)

Bandit Follows, Slugs Girl, 16, in Rest Room

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Rochester, N. Y. Dec. 14.
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he went to the restroom. She nolocal-aponar, mana-futing in a lobbychair and apparently he followed
plated revolver.

Patrons leaving the theafre heard her screams and found her slumped

Majors Find Higher Net Profit Margin In Shorts: '43 Gross of \$25,000,000

You Will Learn Puli-Lenty

Show Business Characters' From

JOE LAURIE, JR.

VARIETY's 38th Anniversary Number

(Post-War Show Business

Thug Kills Mgr. In \$1.500 Holdup

Ployd E. Ackerman, manager of the Butterfield Circuit's two theatres in Bay City, Mich, was shot and killed by a holdup man who excaped the butterfield of the butterfield by the butter

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Miniature Reviews

'Desert Song' (Musical; Color) (WB). Modernized operetta in color locks good for hefty grosses.

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Higher and Higher (RKO), Starring Michele Morgan, Jack Haley and Frank Sinatra, and rates, high for bo.

The Woman of the Town (UA) tsongs; High-budgeted western. Stars, Albert, Dekker and Claire. Trevor, good for duals.

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'La Piej De Zapa' (Argentino).

'Adaptation from Balzen novel; strictly for Spanish-speaking audiences.

diences.

'Canyon City' (Rep). Don 'Red'
Barry starrer, which delivers its
money's worth in action.

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Calling Dr. Death

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Hollywood, Dec. 14.
Lloyd Nolan inked a player contract at 20th-Fox with the top role
in Wing and a Prayer' as a starter.
Picture rolls in February with
Walter Morosco and William Bacher
as co-producers and Henry Hathaway directing.

Pistol Packin' Mama (SONGS)

Hollywood, Dec. Republic release of Kaly White friends-loss. Directed by frink Woodrelf, Seron-bay by Edward Dolg and Fred Schuler, Grighad by Arthur Deeps and Fred Schuler, Grighad by Arthur Deeps and Dein, com-cern, Reggie Lambian, editor, Fred Martin-res, Reggie Lambian, editor, Fred Martin-ton and Company of the
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AND HIS ORCHESTRA IN TECHNICOLOR!

EUGENE PALLETTE · CHARLOTTE GREFNWOOD EDWARD EVERETT HORTON · TONY DE MARCO

James Ellison · Sheila Ryan · Dave Willock

Directed by BUSBY BERKELEY · Produced by WILLIAM LEBARON

Screen Play by Walter Bullock . Based on a Story by Nancy Wintner, George Root, Jr. and Tom Bridger Lyrics and Music by Leon Robin and Harry Warren . Dances Created and Directed by Busby Berkeley



Chi Dips But 'Corvette' Fast \$19,000: Death of Hitler'-'Mountain' Fat 16G

Chicago, Dec. 14.

Grouse are off at some theories with boses after a some theories with boses after the coupled with Jimmy Dorzey's orchestra on stage at two problems and pre-holiday stump. 148 (2002) and 150 (2002)

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Snug Sil.001; Last week, near same, Craray House, UJ) and Falcon Coeds' (RKC)1 (2d week in Loop).
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weathy \$18,000. Last week brilliant \$25,000.
United Artists (B&K) (1,700; 50-85)--Lnssic Come Home (M-G) (2d wk). Pert \$17,000. Last week robust \$22,000.
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Woods (Essaness) (1,200; 50-75)—
'Strange Death Hitler' (U) and 'Man
Music Mountain' (Rep.) Solid \$16,000.
Last week 'Son Dracula' (U), 5 days (2d
wk), and 'Death Hitler' and 'Music
Mountain', 2 days, grand \$15,000.

Indpls. Drags Bottom: 'London' Modest \$9.500 'Butler's Sis' Thin 10G

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Everything is way down in the
dumps here this week with small
chance of improvement before
Christinas. Shows that ought to do
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Find Blackmailer' (WB) (2d wk), fair \$14,000. Metropolitan (Loew's) (3,818; 35-75)—Corvette K' (U) and 'Son of Deracula' (U), Great \$35,000. Last 'Larceny With Music' (U), stunning \$28,000. Paramount (Fabian) (4,020; 35-74)—Princess Offorche (WB) and 'Al-Princess Offorche (WB) a

\$22,000.
Straud (WB) (2,952: 35-75)—
Drums Fu Manchu' (Rep) and
Doughboys Ireland' (Col). So-30 \$5.
000. Last week, 'Mystery Broadcast
(Rep) and 'Harvest Melody' (PRC),
ditto.

'Top Man' Tops Seattle-With Rousing \$12,000; 'Land' Hefty at 111G

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Blue Mouse (Hamrick-Evergreen)
(800; 40-75)—Girl Crazy (M-G) (4th
wk). Okay \$5,200 in eight days.
Last week, swell \$6,500.

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\$11,200.
Music Box (H-E) (850; 40-75)—
'Guadacanal Diary' (20th) '3d wk).
From Music Hall. Fine \$6,200 in eight days. Last week, fourth of 'O'Rourke' (WB), good \$5,300 in six

dayy.

Music Hali (H-E) (2200: 40-35)

Rains Came (20th) and Under Two
Plags' (20th) (reissues). Slow \$6000. Last week, second of Guadaiman Diary (H-E) (2000: 40-75)

Top Man (U) and 'Spider Woman'
(U) Big \$1200. Last week, Crazy
House (U) and 'She's For Me' (U),
good \$10.800.

'Heaven' High \$13,000. Mont'l; 'Hit Ice' \$10,500

Montra, The 10e \$10,000 Montreal, Dec. 14.
Biz is holding up remarkably, with 'licaven Can Wail' leader. 'Hit the lee' look strong for second money.
Estimates for This Week
Palace (CT) (2,700; 30-62)—Hit lee' (U). Pointing big \$10,500. Last week. 'Watch Rhine' (WB), stout \$11,000.

same rine. (Loew's) (2485-28-50)

José London (14A) and visco property
First Runs on Broadway

(Subject to Change) Week of Dec. 16

Aster-'Cry Havoc' (M-G) (4th week).

Capitol — 'Girl Crazy' (M-G)
(3d week).
(Reviewed in 'Variety' Aug. 4)

Criterion-'Crazy House' (U) (Reviewed in 'Variety' Oct 20)

Globe Pistol Packin' Mamina'
(Pep) (18).

Hollywood—The Desert Song'
(WB) (17).
(Reviewed in current issue)
Music Hall—Madame Curie'

(M-G). (Reviewed in 'Variety' Nov. 24)

(Reviewed in 'Variety' Nov. 24)
Palace — The North Star'
(RKO) (7th week).
(Reviewed in 'Variety' Oct. 13)
Paramount — 'No Time for
Love' (Par) (3d week).
(Reviewed in 'Variety'.
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reck). (Reviewed in 'Varlety' Nov. 3) (Reviewed in 'Variety' Nov. 3)

Rivoli — 'For Whom the Bell
Tolls' (Par) (23d week),
(Reviewed in 'Variety' July 21)

Roxy — 'Happy Land' (20th)
(2d week),
(Reviewed in 'Variety' Nov. 10)

(Reviewed in Variety Nov. 19)
Strand — Northern Pursuit'
(WB) (4th week).
(Reviewed in 'Variety' Oct. 20)
Victoria — 'The North Star'
(RKO). (7th week).
(Reviewed in 'Variety' Oct. 13)

'PURSUIT' OK 261/2G, FRISCO

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Bob. Chester's band are holding up well in second week at Goden Gate.

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B'way Slides: 'Land'-Fay-Baronova Disappointing \$61,000, 'Woman' H.O. Stout 90G, 'Girl Crazy'-Vaude 68G. 2d

Bisines on Broadway has gone cutie (M.G.) has its world premiere dual this week with most new attractions as well as holdowers going helow normal expectations, with Christmas shopping now in high \$3,000 and holds. Final him edgay gear. Blamed, also, however, is arrival of cold weather, which have the same and held and held and have the same and held an

particularly on Saturday (11) and 10-25.

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holds.
Other openings are 'Crazy House,' at the Criterion today (Wednesday) and 'Desert Song,' which preems at the Hollywood Friday (17).

the Hollywood Friday (17).

Estimates for This Week
Astor (Low's) (1,140, 55-\$1,10)—
Cry Havoc' (M-G) (4th wk). Dropping considerably, third week having ended Monday night (13) at less than \$15,000 but fair enough, while the prior (2d) week hit \$22,000, good.

on second week for Dancing Masters' (20th) \$8,700, nicc.

Riveli (UA-Par) (202; 75.4185—
Rawy (20th) (5,886; 55.51,10)—
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Victoria (Maurér) (720; 75-\$2.20)—
'North Star' (Goldwyn-RKO) (6th
wk). Appears around \$9,500, moderate takings, this week while last
(5th) topped \$10,000. Remains on.

PHILLY FLOPS. 'CHANCE' 19G

Pithladiphia, Dec. 14
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sharp dent in grosse. With physicians warning people to avoid crowdrent epidemic of fat is putting a
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Stimates for This Week
Aldime (WB) (1302; 75-\$1.10)—
Bell Tolis: (Par) (6th wk). On evenseel at \$1850 at hypoed prices.
Princess of Route (wB) (24 mg)
Arcadia (Sablooty) (900; 35-75)—
Loag run (six weeke) at Mastbaum
at litely). Last week, 'Hi Diddle'
(UA), poor \$4,300 in six days.

Bayd (WB) (2,500; 35-75)—Lady
Rayd (WB) (2,500; 35-75)—Lady
Rayd (WB) (2,500; 35-75)—Lady Philadelphia, Dec.

Boyd (WB) (2,500; 35-75)—'Lady Takes Chance' (RKO). Harmed by slump, fairish \$19,000. Last week, 'Girl Crazy' (M-G), n.s.h. \$13,200 for third sesh.

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Earle (WB) (2.768; 35-85)— Danc-Earle (WB) (2.768; 35-85)— Danc-Earle (WB) (2.768; 35-85)— Danc-prisingly strong at \$2.2500, with Vanities' the real appeal. Last week, 18 Everybody Huppy? (Col) and Lawrence Welk orch on stage, blah \$15,000.

\$15,000.

Fox (WB) (2.245: 35-75)—'Crazy House' (U). Held down by flu and cold spell, so-so \$15,000. Last week. 'True to Life' (Par), mild \$16,900, in addition to \$2,700 for one-day showing at Earle.

ing at Earle.

Karthon (Goldman) (1,000; 33-75)

"Under Two Flags" (20th) (reissue).

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ond run.

Masthaum (WB) (4.692; 35-75)—
Old Acquaintance (WB). Satisfactory \$26,000. but not up to party
previous Masthaum openings. Last
July 18,000 on the party
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July 18,000 on second trip.
Santon (WB) (1,475; 35-75)—
Santon (WB) (1,475; 35-75)—
\$1,500 after play \$10,500 for opener.

Chadwick Heads Indies

Undependent Motion Pieture Producers re-elected 1. E. Chadwick president, W. Ray Johnston and Leon Fromkess vice presidents; and Edward Finney secretary-treasurer. Chosen for the executive council were Fromkes-Ray Tounk, Six Neu-lidd. A. W. Harkel, Sam Katmaa and George Weeks.

'Flesh-Fantasy' Bright \$18,000, Top Film in Cleve.: 'London' Dismal 9G

Hub Downbeat Bops New Entries But 'Crazy House'-Himber Okay \$23,000

New features all around are failing to stem the seasonal drop here. Jack London making the best play at the two Loon stands but not over aver age. Hub is merely hanging on till Xmas week when iz should spring

REC. Retimatés for This Week

RKO Boston 13,200, 44-99)—Crizy

Roine (U.) plus Richard Honde

st 22,000, all considered. Lest week,

Frank Sinstan, Jan Savit, orch,

Frank W. H.-P. 11,737, or. 40-00
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Frank W. H.-P. 11,737, or. 40-00
Frank W. Droppin to low \$4,-00
Memorial RKO 1,200, 44-75)—

Freb Fantay' (U.) and She's For
Roine M. Savit, S

days.

Metropolitan M.-P) (4:367: 35-53)

— Northern Pursult' (WB) and Footlight Glamour' (Col), Hanging on at \$20,000. Last week, Rosie O'Grady' . 120(h) and Sub Alert' (Par) 120 wk), fine \$18,000.

(Par) 12d wk), fine \$18,000.
Orpheum (Loev) '(2.900' 44-65)—
'lack London' (UA) and 'ls Everybody Happy' (Col). Fair to middling \$22,000, but no h.o. Last week.
'Girl Crazy' (M-G): and 'Something
About Soldier' (Col) (2d wk), strong
\$20,000.

\$20,000.

Paramount (M.P) (1,700; 40:00)—
Hostages (Par) and Harvest Meldody (PRC): Main stem house usualty fairly steady but is of no this at
\$12,000. Last week, 'Happy Land'
(20th) and 'Dancing Masters' (20th),
okay \$13,000.

nice \$7.500.

Translux (Translux) (900; 28-65)—
Sive Junclion (PRC) and Married
Murderer' (Indie). Skimpy \$4,500.
Last week. Doctor Maniac' (U) and
Man 1,000 Faces' (U) (reissues), fine
\$5,800

wki, snappy \$11,500.
Carlion 'Fay-Loew') (1,400; 30-50)
—Rosie O'Grady' 120th and 'Holmes'
Faces Death' (1) (36 iowitown wk),
Diary' (20th) and 'Hi, Sallor' (1)
Cith downtown week, about same.
Fay's (Fay') (2,000; 30-50)—Paris
After Dark' (20th) and yaide. Not
bad \$6,000. Last week 'Gitl From
bad \$6,000. Last week 'Gitl From
\$5,000.

\$5,500. Majestic (Fay) (2,200; 30-50)—'Old Acquaintance' (WB). Hit by cold sump, but fairly good \$12,500. Last week Rosie O'Grady' (20th) and 'Iloimes Faces Death' (U) (2d wk), snappy \$12,000.

Perry Como-Wald Lift 'Elmer' to \$16,500, N'w'k

Eillier 10 \$10,000,1 to Newark, Dec. 14.

Bliz none too good this week. Cold.

Bell over the week. Cold roge inost bos stranding all except ived down firstyne wedl under vasy, is also a factor. Best of lot are from Major, at Proctors, and No Time for Love, held over at Paramount.

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\$11,000.

Capitol (WB) (1,178; 20-55)—
Proudly We Hail' (Par) and Fall
In' (UA), Dismal \$2,200. Last week,
'Du Barry' (M-G) and 'Irag' (WB),
\$2,300.

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Paramount (Adams-Par) (2.000
35-85)—No Time for Love 18-1
30-4 (Adams-Par) (2.000
30-85)—No Time for Love 18-1
30-85 (Par) (2.000)

great \$20,000. (RKO) (3.400: 35-S.10.)

Proctor's (RKO) (3.400: 35-S.10.)

-Iron Major' (RKO) and Falcon Co-Eds' (RKO). Weathered week-end biltz for satisfactory \$18,000. Last week. Rosie O'Grady (20th) and Victory Air Power. (IA) (2d wk), okay \$13,000 in final five days of holdover.

okay \$13.00. (20th). of holdover. (20th). of holdover. (20th).
Thug Kills Mgr.

Last week, Doctor Manies (1) in the same of the same o

Shorts Profits

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OMAHA FEELS SLUMP; 'FOOT' WEAK \$8,000

Omaha, Dec. Business way off, due to pre hristmas slump. Even the Orphe Christmas slump. Even the Orphe-um with 'So This Is Washington' and Lauis Prima band is on skids this

Estimates for This Week Estimates for This Week
Orpheum (Tristates) (3,000; 20-85;
This Is Washington' (RKO) and
Louis Prima orth on stage: This
\$11,000, wey off-for \$ stage show
Last week. Doughboys Ireland' (COI)
plus Art Kessel oftch, light \$12,500.

Paramount : Tristates) (3,000; 11-55)—Best Foot Forward' (M-G), Sad \$8,000. Last week, Happy Land (20th), so-so \$8,800.

acoust. Last week, "Happy Land (20th), aco-9 Selo, Singery 1.609. illBrandels (Mori Col') and Strangel ColCol's Blank 145.00, much below level here. Last week, "Princes of Col's Blank 145.00, much below level here. Last week, "Princes of Col's Blank 145.00, much below level here. Last week, "Princes of Col's Blank (17 Selo), Moveover (17 Selo), Blank (18 Se

Wash. in Dumps. 'Diary' Thin 16G

Washington, Dec. 14.
Flu, Christmas shopping and cold weather brought a heavy seasonal slump to downtown picture lioures this week. Nearly all spots are disappointing.

Estimates for This Week Estimates for This Week
Capitor (Locw) (3.434; 30-73)—
Rappy Land (20th) with Ina Ray
but land (20th) with Ina Ray
but oke for this week. Last week,
Whistling in Dark (M.G) with Duninger on stage disappointing \$2200.
Columbia (Lacw) (1,200; 30-68)—
Girl Crazy (M.G.) Saitsfactory \$7000. Last week, 'Claudia' (20th),
good \$5,500.

000: Last week, Claudia' (20th), 2004 \$2,000 and \$2,000

Time-RKO

resentatives of his Government to

contribute to the war, effort, Sinatra wiilingly countied although picture services to a company which picture services to a company which is paying him liberally. Knox stated that March of Time took unauthorized pictures and recordings of the voice for its film without too much record to the state of
sarly in 1944, with slight damage to them.

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Flu Clips Det.: 'O'Rourke' OK \$23,000. 'Iron Major' Stout at 17G

'Pursuit' Pacing New Cincy Films at \$9.000

Cincinnati, Dec. 14.
Mild wave of grippe which hit Cincy. last week has aggravated biz at downtown houses already hit by Kmas shopping. Of linee fresh plx. only !Northern ursuit, in the Captol, is on the bright side.

week, Jul Acquaintainer (WB) (24 Wk) olay \$55.05—Kd18w (Libson) (1.500, \$5.65)—Kd18w (Libson) (1.500, \$5.65)—Kd19p (1.500, \$6.65)—Kd19p (1.500, \$6.65)—Kd1p (1.500, \$6.65)—Kd19p (1.500, \$6.65)—Kd1p (1.500, \$6.65)

\$15,000.

Shubert (RKO) (2,100; 35-65)—

'His Butler's Sister' (U). Moveover.

Pleasing \$5,000. Last-week, 'Girl

Crazy' (M-G) (2d run), about same.

Post-War Bldg. Continued from page 7 =

among such groups as Wilby-Kincey, Sparks, Robb & Rowley and Saenger groups. All are flourishing at pres-eut and able to bankroll additional ventures when building material and equipment are again available.

right Future right Füture South is one seelor generally expected to hold onto much of its wartime activity, net evidenced by interest many lines other than show
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of the south will be converted over almost auto-matically into civilian transport use under expanded airline program, it is felt because of sector's ideal weather conditions for flying of all sorts,

sortic. Memphis, with a key Navat air base and an Army Ferrying Command group of enormous proportions, probably has more emergency hying fields and more airport into the country, as a result of the war, and these are not likely to be junked in view of availation's future as a celeme imperative. The commercial proposition as well as a delense imperative. The present parts and other war materials manufacture here will be as essential in civilian economy of kinoryow as they are fin

Boxoffice currently is, down and spotty with no clear picture as to the major cause. There is some tendency to attribute the decline to the flu which has hit war plants hard and brought warnings against public assembly but Dec. 15 cases and Christmas shopping also may be other factors.

Mild wave of grippe with the Mild wave of grippe with the Mild wave of grippe with the Mild wave of grippe with the Mild wave of grippe with the Mild wave of t

'Crazy House' Snappy 15G, Best Bet in K. C.; 'Okla, Kid' N.S.H. at 9G

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Esquire. Uplown and Fairway (Fox-Midwest) 1020, 2.043 and 700, 40-60)—Crazy House U. Lusly \$15,000. Last week 'llappy Land' (201h), sturdy \$14,000.

\$15,000. Last week 'lappy Land' (20th), study \$14,000.

Midland (Loews) (3,500; 35-60)—
Midland (1,500; 40)—
Orpheum (RKO) (1,500; 40-60)—
Orpheum (RKO) and (WB) reseased and \$9,900.

Last week 'Iron Major' (RKO) and Falcon Co-cde (RKO)

Midland (1,500; 40)—
Midland (1,500; 40)—
Dancing Masters' (20th) and Alasters' (20t

Detroit Film Carriers Readiust Work Week

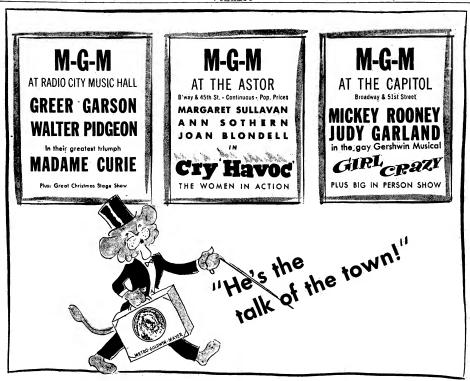
And most of caircraft parts, and other war materials manufactured here will be as essential in civilian economy of tomorrow as they are in Labor Service, Detroit line carriers indicated.

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The Message
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"Not for just a day, not for just a season, but ALWAYS!"



(Above) Newspaper Ads in New York tell the old, old story!

"AND THAT'S WHERE THE TRAFFIC IS HEAVIEST!"



Pitt. Hard Hit, Even Sinatra-Savitt Plus 'Falcon' Lagging With \$32,500

Ximas is boffing the Golden Tri-nation and the Golden Tri-nation and the Golden Tri-bility and the Tri-Bit has been way off for several weeks lately and it's no better cur-curely. Big noise, of course, in Frank he's proving a major bo, disappoint-ment, particularly considering, his boaton, and the sensational "amount of space he grabbed in dailies. There's not much doing anywhere Estimates for This Week

elise either.

Estimates for This Week
Futton (Shea) (1,700; 30-50)—Under Two Flagg (20th) and Rains
Gener Two Flagg (20th) and Rains
counted on a downtown overflow
consister at Stanley but it didn't
develop. Fair \$45,500 kiledy. Last
March (10,4) bestep \$5,300 (30-60)—
(Suddicianal Jaury (20th), 64 (30-60)—
(Suddicianal Jaury

Penn (Loew's-UA) (3,300; 30-60)— assle Come Home' (M-G). Crix

Sauly, mind. Last week, super \$14, per \$10.00 per 1. Lassie Come Home (M-G). Tussie Come Home (M-G). Lassie Come Home (M-G). Lassie Come Home (M-G). Death of the Lassie Come Home (M-G). Lassie Come Home (M-G). Acquaintance (WB), no world-lassie cither at \$15,000. — Girls (WB). (WB)

Flu Blamed for Mpls. Dive; 'Claudia' \$9,500, N.G. 'Pursuit' 9G, Oke

Minneapolis, Dec. 1f.
Flu and usual adverse pre-Christhas influences are taking a heavy
oxoffice toll currently. Neither
laudia' nor 'Northern Pursuit,' top
ewcomers, are especially heavyeight.

Estimates for This Week
Aster (Par-Singer) (900; 20-30)—
Holmes Face Death (U) and Lucky
Fellow, Mr. Smith (U), Okay \$2,200
in flye days. (Coastal Command'
(RKO) and 'Glidersleeve on Brook
and 'Glidersleeve on Brook
(RKO) open today (14). Last
Guest' (Mono), oke \$2,000 in five
days.

lays. Century (P-S) (1,600; 40-55)— Princess O'Rourke' (WB) (2d. wk). Moved here after good week at State. Moved here after good week at State. Nice \$6,000. Last week, 'Rosie O'Grady' (20th) (3d wk), good \$4,-

O'Graefy (20th) 5dd wid), good \$45.

Hearth (20th) 5dd wid), good \$45.

Hearth (20th) (20th) (20th) (20th) (20th) (20th)

Loncome Pine (Par) (reissue), Resisues do well here, so this looks far \$4.000.

Last week, "Adventures Light (20th) (2

Broadway Grosses

Estimated Total Gross \$439,000 (Based on 14-theatres) Total Gross Same Week Last Year . \$339,000 (Based on 13 theatres)

Land' Bright 12G in L'ville

Louisville, Dec. 14.

Ceei the pre-Xuas slump. This year's years, but takings are under par right now. Best of the film houses likely will be the Raido with Happy State. I see controlled the state of the state of the film houses likely will be the Raido with Happy State. I second-placer.

National, with stage thm policy harry Howards 'Phi-Up Girle' with Rairy Howards 'Phi-Up Girle' with Right Man' an carlier Alan Ladd film, formerly labeled 'Her First Rodon, and the state of the st

Alm, formerly labeled 'Her First ReJohn, formerly labeled 'Her First ReJohn Stage lavout

Estimates for This Week

Brown (Fourth Avenue Leow's)

(1,408; 20.50) — 'Roose O'Grady's

How Many Andrew (1,408; 20.50) — 'Roose O'Grady's

His moveover house, making third

downtown week. Nice \$3,500 after

Kentucky; Swirkov (1,200; 15.25)

—Destroyer' (Col), and Claudia'

Zolith, Dipping to indicated \$1,500,

and 'Let's Face It' (Par') split with

Malori and Minor' (RKO) and 'Porto.

Low's State Loew's) (3,300; 36)

—Jack London' (UA) and 'Is

Everybody Happy' (Col) Shaping

Swirkows (1,200; 10,1

dium \$9,000, considerably under expectations.
Straind (Fourth Avenue) (1,400;
30-50)—Fired Wife (U) and
Holmes Faces Death' (U). Fairish
\$3,800 for this family spot. Last
week (Gangway Tomorrow! (RKO)
and 'Gildersleeve on Broadway'
(RKO), \$4,200.

Katina Back to Work

Hollywood, Dec. 14.
Katina Paxinou, after a long Illness, returns to pictures as co-star
with Barry Sullivan in 'Marscilles' at
Paramount.
Filming starts early next month
with Lester Fuller directing and
Michael Kraike as associate pro-

'Flesh-Fantasy' Fancy \$18,000. Denver Best

Denver, Dec. 14.
Totals are not outstanding this week but several pictures are more than holding their own. Flesh and Flesh and Fantasy' is tops, day-dating the Den-ver and Fsopire. 'In Old Oklahoma' is packing them in for a big week at the Paramount.

at the Paramount.

Estimates for This Week
Aladdin (Fox) (1.400; 30.65)—
Northern Pursuit' (WB) and 'Hi,
Sailor' (U), after week at each Denver, Esquire. Good \$6.000 Last week
(Trazy House' (U) after week at
Denver, Esquire, and 'Top Man' (U),
after week at Paramount, \$5.000.

Benedum, (Fox) (1.40), 30.65. after week at Paramount, \$5,000.
Broadway (Fox) (1,000) 30-65)—
Iron Major (RKO) and Gildersleeve on Broadway (RKO) after
week, 'Dood II' (M-G) and 'Young
deas' (M-G), from Orpheum, \$3,500.
Benham (Cockrill) (1,750; 30-65)—
Hostages (Par). Sad 45,000. Last
week, True to Life '22 wk), good \$7,000.

True to Life 'td wk', good \$7,000.

Denver (Fox) (2,525, 30-65) — Thein Farlaxy (U and Sox 50-65) — Thein Farlaxy (U and Sox 50-65) — Thein Farlaxy (U and Sox 50-65) — Thein Farlay (U), also at Esquire, \$15,000. — Thein Farlay (U), also at Esquire, \$15,000. — Thein Farlay (U), also at Denver, Nice \$4,000. — Thein Farlay (U), also at Denver, Nice \$4,000. — Thein Farlay (U), also at Denver, the state of the their farlay (U), also at Denver, \$100. — Thein Farlay (U), also at Denver, \$100. —

\$3,500.

Orpheum (RKO) (2,600; 30-65)—
'Above Suspicion' (M-G) and 'Man
Down Under' (M-G. Firm \$12,000.
Last week, Iron Major' (RKO) and
Gildersleeve on Broadway' (RKO),
ne \$14,000.

hme \$44,000.

**Paramount (Fox) (2,200, 30-50)—

'In Old Oklahoma' (Rep) and Mysery Broadcast (Rep). Big \$1,000.

Last week, 'In Old Chicago' (2001) (restauck), inc. \$90,000.

**Rialio (Fox) (378, 30-50)—Army (WB) (11th week in Deuver firstruns). Stout \$4,000. Last week,

(Cluadicianal Burry) ((2011) and

at Denver, Esquire, Aladdin, about same.

'MAJOR' NEAT \$13,000 IN MILDISH BUFFALO

Boxoffee totale are tapering all around town this week, but its at tributed to usual pre-Xmas lull. 'Lassic Come Home at Lakes and at the larger Buffalo look best.

arger Bunato look best.

Estimates for This Week

Buffalo (Shea) (3.500; 35-65)—

Gaudaleanal Diary (20th) and Thio
Blackmailer (WB) Solid \$16,000
Last week 'Old Acquaintance' (WB)
and 'Yanks Ahoy' (WB, snug
\$19,000.

\$19,000.

Great Lakes (Shea) (3,000; 35-65)

"Lassie Come Home" (M-G) and

Paris After Dark" (201h). Satisfactory \$12,000. Last week 'Gril Crazy
(M-G) (2d wk), mild \$11,500 in nine

days.

Hipp (Shea) (2.100; 35-65)—'Old Acquaintance' (WB) and 'Yanks Ahoy' (WB) (2d wk). Fairish \$10,-000. Last week 'Let's Face It' (Par) and 'Submarine Alert' (Par) (2d wk), about same.

wk). about same.

Lafayette (Basil) (3,300; 35-65)—
Lafayette (Basil) (3,300; 35-65)—
Lafayette (U) and Mad Ghoul'
(U). Dual horror combo doing nicejut \$11,000 considering downbeat in town. Last week 'Heat's On'
(Col) and 'One Dangerous Night'
(Col), nice \$12,000.

20th Century (Ind) (3,000-25,60)

(Col), nice \$12,000.

20th Century (Ind) (3,000; 35-65)—
Iron Major' (RKO) and 'Gildersleeve on Broadway' (RKO). Noat
\$13,000. for nine days. Last week
'North Star' (RKO) (3d wk), soft
\$7,500.

Heavy Dew Dampens L.A. But 'Sahara' Great \$53,500, 2 Spots; 'Flesh' Fancy 49½G in 4, 'Corvette' Nice 30G for 3

Key City Grosses

Estimated Total Gross
This Week\$2.381.900
(Based on 23 cities, 190 theatres, chiefly first runs, including N. Y.)
Total Gross Same Week

Last Year \$2,295,600 (Based on 28 cities, 182 theatres)

'Corvette' 161/2G In Blah Balto

A noticeable dip currently is A noticeable and peturently is dut-ting into takes these pre-holiday days here. Of newcomers, 'Jack London' is fairish at the 'Century, and 'The Adventures of a Rookie,' fied to an 'All Girl' vaude layout at the combo Hi , is faring only moderately well.

Estimates for This Week Century (Loew's UA) (3,000; 17-55)—Jack London' (UA). Drawing fairish \$15,000. Last week, 'Girl Crazy' (M-G) (2d wk), okay \$12,-200.

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Hippodrome (Rappaport) (2.240 17-56)—'Adventures Rookie' (RKO plus 'All Girl' vaude layout with Ada Leonard orch. Mild \$14,000 Last week, Heal's On' (Col) and vaude, fair \$15,800.

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Kelba's (Schanberger) (2,460: 1755)—'Crazy House' (U). Opened yesterday (Mon.) after 10 days of 'Corvette K-225' (U), which was trim

\$16,500.

Mayfair (Hicks) (980; 25-50)—
Paris After Dark' (201h). Average
4,000. Last week, 'In Old Chicago'
(20th) (reissue). mild \$3,800.

New (Mechanic) (1,680; 17-55)—
Happy Land' (20th) '12d wk). Fair
\$5,000 after initial sesh at all right

Stanley (WB) (3,280; 20-60)—'Old Acquaintance' (WB) (3d wk). Hold-ing up nicely at possible \$9,000 after good second sesh at \$13,200.

good second sesh at \$13,200. Valencia (Loew's-UA) (1,480: 17-55)—'Girl Crazy' (M-G) (movcover). Still drawing some biz at \$5,000 after two previous strong settos in down-stairs Century immediately preced-ing. Last week, reissue of Henry \$4,000.

FOX'S SALES CONFABS STALLED BY COLDS

Midwinter sales confab of 20th-Fox division and district managers, scheduled to start last Saturday (11), did not get under way until Monday because of flu attacks suffered by several oxecutives. Meeting winds because of flu attacks suffered by several executives. Meeting winds up today (Wednesday). Spyros Skouras and Tom Connors were principal speakers at the opening

session.

Sales policies on new product such as 'Jane Byre' and 'Song of Bernudette' are being settled at these huddles. Hal Horne, ad-publicity topper, also is outlining his ad-exploitation plans for the pletures.

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Estimates for This Week Carthay Circle (F-WC) (1,516): 90 — Flesh Panlasy' (U) and Mys-tory Broadcast' (Rep). Excellent \$7-500. Last week, Whittling Brook-ther (C) (1,100): 100 — Under (1,100) — Chilles (Grauman-WC) (2,004; 45-90)—Flesh Pantay' (U) and Mys-tery Broadcast' (Rep). Soild \$1,500, Last week, Whittling Brooklyn' (Al-Gold Man Down Under' (M-G) Devatew, WRS (1,906; 45-50).

G. and 'Man Down Under' (M.-C.), work \$3,200.

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Flesh and Fantasy' shapes fancy \$18,000 in Denver, strong \$49,500 in L.-A. and over hopes at \$20,000 in Boston. 'Happy Land' is leader in Louisville with sturdy \$12,000. big in Scattle, profitable, \$81,000 in sturdy \$12,000. big in Scattle, profitable, \$81,000 in sturdy \$12,000 in Louisville. 'Lassic Come Chome (Mc-O) is looking the currently. Crazy House' (U) is lots better than it has been recently, being capecially forter in K. C. where topper cently, being capecially forter in K. C. where topper cently, being specially forter in K. C. where topper cently, being specially forter in K. C. where topper cently, being specially forter in K. C. where topper cently, being specially forter in K. C. where topper cently, being specially forter in K. C. where topper cently, being specially forter in K. C. where topper cently, being specially forter in K. C. where topper cently, being specially forter in K. C. where topper cently, being specially forter in K. C. where topper cently, being specially forter in K. C. where topper cently, being specially forter in K. C. where topper cently, being specially forter in K. C. where topper cently, being specially forter in K. C. where topper cently, being specially forter in K. C. where topper cently, being specially forter in K. C. where topper cently, being specially forter in K. C. where topper cently, being specially forter to the control of the control of the centre of

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Pretty As A Picture



Paramount's

FAMOUS ALL-COMEDY PRODUCTION POLICY AGAIN OVERWHELMINGLY ENDORSED BY PRESS AND PUBLIC IN

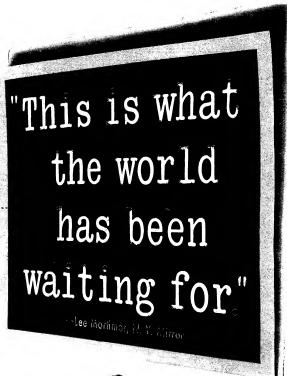
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Starring

Claudette Colbert,

This is the return to normalcy. This is the ha igover antidote for the bitter taste left by the wild spree of problem plays, intellectual dissertations and pedagogical pictures. This is what the world has been waiting for."

READ the New York Mirror's simple explanation why Paramount has scooped the industry with this perfectly timed parade of unadulterated Entertainments—"LET'S FACE IT," "TRUE TO LIFE," "RIDING HIGH," "NO TIME FOR LOVE," "MIRACLE OF MORGAN'S CREEK," "STANDING ROOM ONLY," "THE UNINVITED," and "LADY IN THE DARK,"



CAN YOU PICTURE ANY SWELLER SINGLE REVIEW LINE THAN THIS?

OR THIS "We insist that you go see 'No Time For Love'."

-Bosley Crowther, N. Y. Times

OR THIS "A comedy block-buster. Theatre grosses should be blown to ceiling heights."

—Boxoffice

OR THIS "Grand, hilarious topflight entertainment. A mirthquake."

OR THIS "As choice a comedy as the season will produce."

-Daily Fariety

OR THIS "One long, lingering laugh a riot. Audience positively howled."

-Edgar Price, Brooklyn Citizen

OR THIS "A laugh riot . . . loaded with laughs . . . It makes you howl."

-N. Y. Mirror



Directed by MITCHELL LEISEN
Screen Play by Claude Binyon • Adaptation by Warren Duff

Australian Chains in Large-Scale Push To Tie Up Theatres: Fullers Lose Bid

Wide open lease-grabbing looms now the company of t

Mex Exhibs Aim For Closer Ties

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'HALFWAY TO HEAVEN' **NEW LONDON CLICK**

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ranner in the control over.

'Goodnight Ladies,' revue which opened Dec. 7 at the Whitchall, was well received and looks like a success. It stars Phyllis Dixie.

Mex, Argentine Pix Receptive in Havana

Receptive in Havana. Havana, Dec. 7. Havana, Dec. 7. Films produced in Moxico and the Argentine can now definitely be considered a highly important factor in the considered a highly important factor in the considered a highly important factor in the considered and the considered and the consideration of the Cuban public, and are now enjoying their hold on a large part of the Cuban public, and are now enjoying stand. In Havana, the Nacional and Payret continue to present this type of product exclusively. In addition of product exclusively. In addition for showing American pictures is turning to Mexican and Argentine films in a large measure. For the past five years, Spanish talkers have been steadily increasing their hold on a large part of the Cuban public, and are now enjoint agreed to popularity throughout the dividence of the popularity throughout the agreement of the popularity throughout the agreement of product exclusively. In addition to this, the high-class Fausto, head to this, the high-class Fausto, head the product exclusively. In addition to this, the high-class Fausto, here the down the product exclusively. In addition to this, the high-class Fausto, here the dividence of product exclusively. In addition to this, the high-class Fausto, here do with the product of product exclusively. In addition to this, the high-class Fausto, here do with the product of product exclusively. In addition to this, the high-class Fausto, here, the product of product exclusively. In addition to this, the high-class Fausto, here, the product with the product of product exclusively. In addition to this, the high-class Fausto, here, the product with the product of product exclusively. In addition to this, the high-class Fausto, here, be an all the product and according to announcement salready which continues from now until mind. Among the salready with the continues from more product and the product and

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One of the Editorial Features

VARIETY'S

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(Post-War Show Business Edition)

Brit. Equity To Insure Actors

British Equity has covered a schemo by which all its members will be insured against disablement by accident for 13 weeks, receiving 825 a week during that period. In will receive \$5,000. The annual subscription, if the scheme is carried out, will be raised from \$1 to \$10. If the members of the property of the proper

Lease-Lend Exports Of Raw Film Small Instead of 'Terrif

Washington, Dec. 14.
Lend-Lease export of raw filin,
long whispered to be 'terrific,' turns
out to be relatively small, according
to heretofore confidential lend-lease
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Here are the previously secret figures, covering exports from March, 1941, to Oct. 1, 1943;

Total amount of 16 and 35-millimeter motion picture film, both inegative and positive, Lend-Leased: 22,-200,441 feet; value, \$456,489.

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Breakdown by countries: India: 10.346,498 feet, value \$56,488; Australia; 3,880.000 feet, value \$47,018; Russia, 2,885,619 feet, value \$47,018; Russia, 2,885,619 feet, value \$35,421; Egypt, 1,883,390 feet, value \$58,522; South Africa, 498,625 feet, value \$6,522; South Africa, 498,625 feet, value \$6,522; South Carlos Africa, 498,625 feet, value \$4,524; South Gentle \$4,524; Souther \$6,524; Souther

Difference in the values of film i Difference in the values of film is probably traceable to the different sizes and types of stock. The figures show that, over a two and one-half-year period, the U. S. Lend-Leased less raw stock footage than any of the seven largest Hollywood studios is allowed for each three-month period by WFB.

B.A. Builds Several New Ultra-Modern Theatres

Buenos Aires, Dcc. 1.
Despite shortages of materials and high building costs, work on several new theatre projects is now under way here.

way here.
Houses are being rushed to completion for the fall season which opens in March—seasons here being the reverse of those in the U.S.

10 Summer Legiters Now in Sight for B.A.

Mex Skin Game Finds Niteries As Victims

Mexico City, Dec. 14.
A new form of 'Pachuco' is making the rounds of local cabarcts. This time, it's no zoot-suited mob such as made headlines in Los Angeles some months ago, but is a modernized 'thin' some.

'skin' game.

Cabaret proprietors report having discovered peso bills that had been neatly peeled in half, each face glued neatly to light tissue paper, thus providing the inventor with 100% profit on each bill. The phoney bills were dubbed 'Pachucos' but local havenners.

Albright Reports On Booming Film Biz ın Australia

general manager in Australia, last Thursday (9) gave newsmen in New York a first-hand report on picture business down under and also some impressions of the progress of the

var in the east. UA's Australian chief declared that UA's Australian chief declared that Eleanor Roosevelt did more to pro-mote a strong liking for the U. S. than virtually any other single per-son. Mrs. Roosevelt recently visited Australia.

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Albright, in Asia some 18 years, broadeast for NBC for two and one-half years while in Batavia, Java, working all day at the UA office there and broadcasting during the night and early morning hours. The last film man-to-get out of Batavia one jump ahead of the Japs, he lost everything there, arriving in Australia in a pair of shorts on March 1, 1942.

1, 1942.

He, continued as an NBC broad-caster from Sydney, Australia, while he was UA special rep there but quit broadcasting following hls appointment as UA general manager in that

ment as UA general manager in that territory. Albright reported business boom-ing in Australia as in the U. S. He referred to the ceiling on admissions and film rentals there, the rental ceiling being based on deals made

prior to April, 1943. Leaving Sydney, Nov. 17, Albright arrived in New York last Thursday (9). He's due to return to Australia.

Reachi Signs 5-Year Pact To Direct Mex Pic Dances

Mexico City. Dec. 7. Ramon Reach's (Ramon & Renia) numerous show biz activities, including resuming his ballroom dance act here with Mrs. Reachi and conducting the Agencia Teatral Pan-Americana, have been expanded still further.

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further.
Reachi has just signed with Astor Films for five years to direct all the dance numbers in its pix.

Reachi Hunts Talent

Hollywood, Dec. 14.

Ramon Reachi, who shifted from ancing to agenting, has turned producer and is putting on a series of stage operetias in Mexico City. Currently he's in Hollywood to contact actors, singers and dancers.

Current London Shows

Lordon, Dec. 14.

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UA Plans for Lat. American Distrib Setup Cues Talk of Arg.-H'wood Deals

Increasing Importance of the Agent

HARRY FOSTER

An Editorial Feature

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Report Argentine **Raids on Mex Stars**

Mexico City, Dec. 14. Mexican producers report some Argentinlan producers have started to potshot at the local business by picking off topflight players with

uicy contracts. juicy contracts.

Mapy Cortes, the Puerto Rican comedienne star in Mexican pix, and Julian Soler, winner of an award as Mexico's best dramatic actor of 1942, are known to lave received such offers from the Argentine. Argentinian offers are said to to pay possible for Mexican producers.

Intelligent Distribution In U.S. of British Pix Urged for B.O. By Rose Expressing optimism over British

production potentialities if handled properly, and forescoing the day when all big British producers will have distribution representation of their own in the U. S., David Rose, Paramount's managing director in Great Britain, now in New York for year-end confabs, has averred that Intelligent distribution setups in this country for Britain's blg film producers would go far in solving current inability to coin money on their

films in America. Rose expressed the belief that one distributing organization in the U.S. might with handle product from the several producing companies convenience of the production of the product of the pro distributing organization in the U.S. might well handle product from the

Buenos Aires, Dec. 1.

Announcement from New York
that a december of the Merita of the Mexican company of the same
amen throughout Latin America has
encouraged some producers here to
renew long-standing plans for simliar arrangements between Argentine
and Boilywein makers, thus had

and Hollywood makers.
While Argentine pictures, have had a fairly extensive distribution from the property of
Venezuela and other Latin Ameri-can countries.

Number of local producers have sought to make deals with U. S. dis-tribs, even if the payment system would be different, because of an idea that with good 'yanqui' distribu-tion handled by homeoffice reps in each Latin American capital, return would be grader.

each Latin American capital, return would be greater.

In line with the statement of Arthur W. Kelly, United Artists vp., that the Mexican deal is a business proposal, not simply a good-will gesture, local producers believe that there's a strong profit possibility for U. S. companies handling their product

Opinion of U. S. industry chiefs is known to be divided, however. Some feel that taking on Arpentine mean that Hollywood is developing its own competits and that uo U. S. producer can do a good job hundling its own competits and that uo U. S. producer can do a good job hundling stown competition. Others argue that the national product is on the up-ducers would be doing themselved the producers which we have been always the producers where the producers were the producers to the producers that the producers were the producers that the producers were the producers that the producers

favor by Joining in with distribution.

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terested in exceptional cases, but Warner Bros. and 20th are more shy, although 20th has had some Spanish

RKOers Still Jap Prisoners

RKO-has been informed by Amer-lean repatriates recently in on the Gripsholm that George Kallman, manager of RKO's branch in the Philippines, is safe and in good health in a Jap camp near Manila. Kallman formerly was RKO man-ager in Chile and before that was sales manager in Argentina for the

sales manager in Argentina for the company.

Arno F. Kerske, formerly RKO manager for China, is a prisoner of war of the Japs, according to an Imperial Japanese Army notification card originating from Philippine Military Prison Camp No. 1, where he's interned. he's interned.

Kerske enlisted in the Navy prior to Pearl Harbor.

Hoyts' \$622.816 Profit For 1942-43 Fiscal Yr.

Sydney, Dec. 14.

Ernest Turnbull, Hoyts circuit topper, has set a one-year deal for Columbia product covering the chain's
substitution of the control


BRUCE CABOT: GENE LOCKHART
Directed by ROBERT FLOREY
Based Upon in Play by Lowerce School, Olios Harback
Olicar Hammeriten 2nd, Signard Homberg, & Floral Mandel
Produced by ROBERT BUCKNER

Advance Production Chart

Hollywood, Dec. 14.

Film plants currently have 44 productions before the conneras, keeping on an even keel to meet product dedemonds. Now going through the editing rooms in repearation for previous and trade showings are a total of 130, while another 82 have already been released or previoused. Still to face the cameras to fulfill season promises are 212.

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THE CANTERVILLE OFFICE	Roque Funes; music, Alejondro Gutlerrez
THE CANTERVILLE GHOST, prod. Arthur Field; ir., orman Z. McLeod; asst. dir., Julian Silberstein; cam-	del Barrio. Roviewed at the Broadway.
William Daniels Costs Charles Suberstein; cam-	Buchos Aires. Running time, 82 MINS
a, William Daniels. Cast: Charles Laughion, Margaret Brien, Robert Young, Rags Ragiand.	This newest from EFA is in line
KISMET, drama in Technicolor; prod., Evercti Riskin;	
r., William Dicterle; asst. dir., Marvin Stuart. Cast;	with the increasing local trend for
onald Colman, Marlene Dictrich, James Craig, Edward	screen adaptations of famed classics.
rnold, Florence Bates, Joy Page, Hugh Herbert, Hobart	Based on Balzac's 'Ass' Skin, screen
avanaugh, Harry Davenport.	version, done in Spanish by Leopoldo
TWO SISTERS AND A SAILOR, comedy, prod., Joe	Torres Rios and Raimundo Roxal.
asternak; dir., Richard Thorpe; asst. dir., Earl MvAvov.	closely follows the original. It's strictly for local b.o.s.
ast: June Allyson, Gloria DeHaven, Jimmy Durante,	
en Blue, Harry James, Xavler Cugat, Carlos Ramirez,	Atmosphere of the novel has been
onald Meek, Van Johnson.	retained by director Luis Bayon
DRAGON SEED, drama; prod., Pandro S. Berman; dir.,	Herrera and interest holds through-
ick Conway; asst, dir., Al Shenberg; novel, Pearl S Buck,	out, despite certain passages which
ast: Katharine Hepburn, Walter Huston, Aline MacMallon,	drag. Production better than aver-
urhan Bey, Frances Rafferty, Akim Tamiroff, Henry Tra-	age, sets being rich in detail and
rs, Agnes Moorehead, Keye Luke, Hurd Hatfield, Rob-	street and ball scenes particularly
t Rice, Clarence Lung, Paul E. Burns, Hayward Soo Hoo.	strong. Attempt to film the French
ai Ling Wong.	novel in itself required a bit of cour-
1	age here. Film also introduces Flor-
	ence Marly, French actress-wife of
Monogram	Pavisian director Pierre Chenal, who
monogram.	is now working in Argentine stu-
Promised Com- Shoot- Now	dios. Hugo del Carril takes the star-
'42-43 pleted lng Cutting To so	ring role, his biggest to date, and
	while he loesn't do too badly, part
Westerns 17 17 0 0 0	requires more dramatic power than
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Promised Com- Shoot- Now	the case of a man about to commit
'43-44 pleted ing Cutting To go	suicide who finds a bewitched ass'
Features 24 7 2 11 4	skin at an antique shop. The skin
Westerns	will grant him my wish, but it
	shrinks with each favor granted,
	shortening the life of the owner,
Pictures in cutting room or awaiting release:	Central motive is interwoven with a
FOLLOW. THE LEADER (1943-44), formerly THE	passionate love story, and the dialog
ONOR SYSTEM, drama; prods., Sam Katzman and Jack	a.d etching of the characters give
etz; dir., Willam Beaudine; asst. dir., Arthur Haminond.	the production considerable quality.
st: Leo Gorcey, Huntz Hall, Mary Gordon, J. Farrell	Carril sings several numbers in
acDonald.	French, but is hardly the romantie
DEATH VALLEY RANGERS (1943-44). prod	sideburned Parisian-his forte is the
(Continued on page 22)	tango. Photography is not so hot,
puge au/	and music is fair. Ray.

Film Reviews

Mr. Muggs Steps Out

Mongemen pictor of Son Kutiman and Jack Dirk; production. Peshures Lev Gar-eys, Hunar Lind, faither lett, Billy Ren-dict and Join Marsh. Directed by William Boudine. Sevenplay and Story, William Cri Le Pleunt, editor, that Pleron. At New York, N. Y. dan, week of Dec. 7, '33. Running June, 63 MUN. Lea Gorsell.

La Piel De Zapa

(Argentina-Made)
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Buenos Aires, Nov. 20.

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Neth Stuart
Parsy Moran
Sautey Howar
Hallwell Hobber

Boughboys in Ireland:
singing ugain to Miss Domeil. It's
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sure draw for the outdoor fans.
Sory concerns efforts of Barry to
catch a city promoter who is trying
to pull a fast deal on a utility company and ranchers. Barry poses as
an excepted killer, is accused of an
additional murder committed by the
promoter, is tossed into jail, but
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• WALLY VERNON • JACK LA RUE HELEN TALBOT and THE KING COLE TRIO • Directed by FRANK WOODRUFF • Original Story by Arthur Coesar and Edward Dein

Screenplay by Edward Dein and Fred Schiller

Rodgers Ready to Cooperate But Won't Father Another Movement Like UMPI

Chicago, Der. 14.

"I will not undertake any other amity movements in the industry referring to, anything like United Industry." I will be a supply the property of the property of soles, stated at the company's district managers, Metro vp. in charge of soles, stated at the company's district managers, metring her ast week. However, I will be glad to contribute to bring about so called order out of chaos if such should be the case and be glad to do it. What her the tradustry as a whole and at no time have I sought personal publicity.

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If our company can be instrumental in bringing about unity it will be happy to do so he continued. He deplored the fact that the industry's dirty lines is being washed before the public instead of being kept within the industry and said he between the companies.

the internal affairs of the picture companies. Commenting on the consent decree he said, Insofar as Metro is coin-bare and the continue to lice the said and to continue to lice up to its every principle and are happy to do so. Rodgers suggested in his talks to those present at the substance of the continue to lice the they should settle any six the rore it reaches the arbitration board and stressed that these suits take up valuable time and a certain expendi-ture of money. He pointed but that in on a case onlies the complainant also has a lawyer. Fost-War Fan Planning

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new customers gained in the past
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of William R. Ferguson, Metro's exHe opined at the sales media
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Field Day for Old Eli

Hollywood, Dec. 14. Yale goes into battle on the screen tale goes not outlet on the screen, but not against its traditional rivals, Harvard and Princeton. New Haven institution is the subject of a Metro feature, 'Yale at War,' based on its current function as a training school for future naval officers.

Picture will be produced by John Considine, Jr., a Yale alumnus.

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ONE-DAY DET. WALKOUT OF 51 SHIPPERS ENDS

Detroit, Dec. 14. A one-day walkout of 51 film shi pers and inspectresses in all major exchanges here was ended under an arrangement by which managers of the exchanges meet with officers of the IATSE to approve wage in-creases which will be submitted to

creases which will be submitted to monofices; which hresteried weekend film shipments wad in protest of the War. Labor Board's slowness in approving a pay boost. Discussed with the labor Board's slowness in approving a pay boost. Discussed with the fact that most of them are working seven days a week and want a scale: approved which will grant them double-time for the period and the said of the local. has indicated that the sixth day.

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defendants agreed to stop using the little, which they had featured in some of their theatres.

TITLE CHANGES

The Golden Trail' at Monogram became 'Partners of the Trail'.

'Once Upon a Time' is release tag on Curly' at Columbia.

'Dixie Showboat' is release tag on No Bars—No Music' at PRC.

Advance Production Chart

Robert Tansey; dir., Robert Tansey, Cast: son, Ken Maynard, Bob Steele, Linda Brent. SWETHEART OF THE U. S. A. [1944-44]; prod., Lester Culter; dir., Lou Collinic asst, dir., William Nolte, Cast: Una Merkel, Don Novis, Lillian Cornell, Parkyakarkus, Rajbi Sanford, Cobina Wright, Sr., Judith Gibson, Vin-

Raiph Sanford, Cobina Wright, San Antonic Coric Barnett.

THE SELTANIS BAUGHTER (1943-441; prods., Bill Krasner and Sam Burkelt: dir., Arthur Dreffuss: asst, dir., Joe Moskov, Caht: Ann Corio, Charles Butterworth, Trinf and Irene. Edward: Norts.

CKARILIE CHAN IN THE SECRET SERVICE (1943-44).

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Ban, Horace Carpenter.

DANGEN WALLEY, western; prod. dir., Robert Tamsey.

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MIRACLE OF MORGAN'S CREER, drama: prod., G.M.O. screenplay, Preston Sturges and Ernst Laeminle; camera John Settz. Cast: Eddle Bracken, Betty. Hutton, Diana

MIRACLE OF MORGAN'S CREEK, drama: prod., G.M.O.; sereenplay, Presents Starges and Erral Learning; emeragreenplay, Present Starges and Erral Learning; emerasereenplay, Present Starges and Erral Learning; emeralayon.

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THE UNINVIED, drama; prod., Charles Breacht;
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THE HOUR BEFORE THE DAWN, ward-drams; prod.
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written by, Allan Martin; script by, Barrell Ware and Kurl Tunberg; camera, Charles Lang, Cast: Fred Macharry, Papiette Goddard, Robald Young, Marian Hall, Mallar HR. CONQUERING HERG. (1983-44). comedy; dr., Person Sturges; canten, John Seltz, Coat: Edite Brieden, Person Sturges; conten, John Seltz, Coat: Edite Brieden, Frederick Sturges, Lang, Caster Buller Brieden, Singles, Canter, State House, January Danier, Raymond Walburn, Franklin Pangborn, Arithur Hoyt, Harry, Tyler, Martine Hoyt, Linger, Junny Consin, Victor Orio, Neville, End, Henry, Al Budge, Jimmy Conin, Victor Caster, Ca

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asst. dir., Diek McWhotter: from a novel by Daphine dua
Maurier; enema, George Barne, Cast; John Fortsline,
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Mary Field, David Clyde, Dorts Lbyd, Claries Coleman,
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WAY (1944-44), drama; pred, Lee Niccarey,
Tre, Lee McCarey; asst. dir. Alvid Gaussensen.

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GOING MY WAY (1984-44), drama; prod. Leo McCarey; dir., Leo McCarey; asst. dir., Alvin Ganzer, sercepiday; Prank Buller; leaners, Llend Lindon, Gast.; Jan Crob Ly, Ried Stevens, Barry Fitzgeridd, Janes Lindon, Cast.; Jan Crob Ly, Ried Stevens, Barry Fitzgeridd, Janes Lindon, Cast. Jan Control, Time MAN, IN MALF MONS STREEX, drama; prod. Walter MacEwen; dir., Raiph Murphy, asst. dir., John Coonan; pay, Barre Lindon, Cast. Nils Asther, Helen Walker, Reminds Schunzel, Braindon Hurst, Paul Cavanagh, Eduned Breun, Mathew Bootlem.

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RANNBOW ISLAND, musical in Technicolor: prod. E. D. Lebmi: dir. Frank Tottle; asst. dir. Ilurve Feeter. Cast. Doorly, Lanour, Eddie Borocker, Gil Laho, Barry Cast. Doorly, Lanour, Eddie Borocker, Gil Laho, Barry III. Love A SOLDIER, formerly WILEN I COME BACK, comedy-drama; prod.-dir. Mark Sandrich: sach. dir., comedy-drama; prod.-direct, asch. dir. Giller, Sandrick, Aim Doran. Double, Landburn, Prod. Jacob, Sistonii dir. Billy Wilder; sext. dir., C. Coleman, Jr. Cast. Pred. DUBLE INDEMNITY, drama; prod. Jacob, Sistonii dir. Billy Wilder; sext. dir., C. Coleman, Jr. Cast. Pred. Cast. Billy Wilder; and Raymond Chandler; novel, James M. Cast. Billy Wilder and Raymond Chandler; novel, James TOMORROW, MARVEST, drams; dir. Frank Borzaec.

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feld, dir., Som Newfeld, ast., dir., McWille De Lay; cans,
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ANNE SIL STANDAM CHARLES (1964-4), western groot, Artistra Boss OF BLAWHIDE (1964-4), western groot, Artistra Boss OF BLAWHIDE (1964-4), western groot, and the control of the contr

mit Mannard, Jack Ingram, Dick Alexander, Robert Bar-on, Row Breit.

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ord. Howard. BBIRE.

TOOTHY BURGET EN DARKEST AFRICA. serial: prod.

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RAIDERS OF SUNSET PASS (1943-44), western; prod., ou Gray; dir., John English; asst. dir., Joe Dill; camera. Miller. Cast: John Paul Revere. Smile: Burnette. Jonitic: Holt. Roy Barerott. Charles Miller. Larry Siewarf. Asianie Doyle, Jack Kirk.

MASKED MARVEL (1943-44), serial; prod. William J. Solilvan; dir., Spencer-Beunet; asst. dir., Goofge Bildr.

MASKED MARVEL (1984-44), sérial; prod. William J.
OSullivan; dir. Spencer Bennet; sst. dir. George Blair.
OSullivan; dir. Spencer Bennet; sst. dir. George Blair.
HANDS AGROSS THE BORDER (1884-44), western; sstoe. prod. Herry Grey; dir., Joe Kane; asst. dir. Art sistema; Cast: Roy Kopera, Nulli Terry, Sos of the Blair of the Marty Grey; dir., Joe Kane; asst. dir. Art Duncas Renaldo.
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Collins.
THE MONSTER, formerly THE MONSTER AND THE
LAUY, drama: prod., George Sherman: dif., George Sherman: sact, dr., Bulls Springsters, CSB Erick, Marchael
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FIGHTING SKABEES, drama; prod., Albert J. Colien:
iv: Edward Ludwig: Cast: John Wayne. Susan Hayward.
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100 ANY FIREBAAND, weden, a see, prod. Eddy White.

100 ANY FIREBAAND, weden, J. Dill. Cast: Bill Elliot.

100 Corge Gabby, Heave, LeRoy, Maon, Jack Ingraham, Forrest Taylor, Hal Price, Harry McKim; Anne, Jedfrey;

100 Royal Parke, Harry McKim; Anne, Jedfrey;

101 Anne, Jedfrey, Lander, Marchael, Parker, Willey, Cast;

102 Anne, Marchael, Marchael, Parker, Cast;

102 Anne, Marchael, Marchael, Parker, Cast;

103 Anne, Marchael, Marchael, Parker, Very Alphael, Parker, Very August, Parakel, Allerton, Framis Pulisa.

RKO-Radio Studio Westerns ... W. Disney ... S. Goldwyn ... H. Wilcox ... J. Votion 46 44

Johnny Weissmuller, Nancy Kelly, Johnny Sheffleld, Otto Kruger, Lloyd Corrigan, Joseph Sawyer, Gerald Mohr.

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THE GHOST SHIP (1983-44). horror: prod., by Aller China.

THE GHOST SHIP (1983-44). horror: prod. Val Lewing dip, Mark Robborn, ast, fr. Ruby Roseuberg, Cast:

ROOKIES IN BURNA (1954-44). comedy: prod., Bert Chiroy, dir., Leslie Coddwing, ast, dir., Jimmie Cassy, Cast: Wally Brown, Allan Carnoy, dir., dir., alloyd Robborn, Cast. Rookies, dir., Lioyd Richards., Cast: Elsa Lanchester, Fritz Feld, Gordon Oliver.

Richards. Cast; Elsa Lanchester, Fritz Feld, Gordon LIGHER AND HIGHER (1984-4), mustacil; prod. Tim Wilalen; dir., Tim Whalen; dir., Clem Beauchang, Tim Wilalen; dir., Tim Wilalen; dir., Clem Beauchang, Tim Wilalen; dir., Clem Beauchang, Tim Wilalen; dir., Clem Beauchang, Tim Wilalen; dir., Tim Cuttage, dir., Tim Cuttage, dir., Tim Cuttage, and tim Wilalen; dir., Tim Cuttage, dir., Tim Cuttage, dir., Cast Tomanova, Orgon, Peck, Marie Polimer, Lowell Glimor, Alan Reed, Orgon, John Venne, Dan Sen, Jose Dolgaruk, dir., State
Hugo Hass, Glenn Vernon, Dens-Frein, agus Lordys-Vo-Lou Croshv.

Dens Maria Carlon Maria Carlon Maria Carlon Maria Charles (dr. Edward Dmytysk.

Robert Ryan, Katlan Paxinou.

THE FALCON OUT WEST, formerly THE FALCON IN

TRYAS, mystery prod, Maurice Ceraftity; dif. William

Circuent, asst. dk. James Casey. Cast: Tom Comway,

Barbara Hale. Low-York by to Posite/cion

RKO Pix in Production

ARE THESE OUR CHLIDREN, drame; prod., Val Lewton, dir., Mark Robson; asst. dir., Harry D'Arey; camera, John Meyeal. Cast. Bonita Granville, Kent Smith, Tessa Brind, Bon Bard.

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SHOW BUSSINESS, musical prod. Eddie Cantor dir.

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Granse Cast: Eddie Cantor, George Nurphy, Joan Davis, Constance Moore.

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Brown, Charles Leonard, Campra. C. Roy Hunt. Cast.

GLEBRISLEEVE'S GROST, conned-y-drama; prod. Her
Marion Martin, Richard Le Grand, mory Parnell, Freddie Merce, Madrones Stewart.

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Harold Schutter. Cast: Pal O'Brien, Robert Ryan, util Freddie Martin, McHugh, Barton MacLane, Ruissel Wade.

Richard Martin, Strong, musical-coinedy: mod. edir. John Auer; asst. dir. Rarry Scht. Cast: Elaine Sheppad. Gordon Oliver, Wally Brown, Alan Carney, Marcy McGulie.

20th Century-Fox

Böhnen, Charles Dingle, Sig Ruman, Ann Revere. Edith THE GARVAS ALL HERE (1914-14), formerly THE GIRLS HE LEFT BEHNIND, comedy-drama in Technicolor; prod. William LeBarco, dr., Bubby Berkeley, said. dir., Thomas William LeBarco, and the Carmen Miranda. James Ellidon. Benny Goodman and chemistra, Phil Baker, Edward Everett Horton, Charlotte Phil March Carmen Miranda. James Ellidon. Benny Goodman and Charlester. Phil Baker, Edward Everett Horton, Charlotte Phil William Le Barco, dir. Bruce Humberstone; essis, dir. William Le Barco, dir. Bruce Humberstone; essis, dir. Schouler, Carlotte, Dec. E. Broon, Martha Ghallam, Carlotte, Charles,
Bari: Edward O., nooniss., reference, Falco Bill. (1945-44), western in Technicolor: pro-ference Falco Bill. (1945-44), western in Technicolor: pro-larry Sherman: dir. William Wellman: asst. dir. J Velni. Cast: Maureen O'Hara. Joel McCrea, Linda Di-nell, Edgar Buchanan, Chief Many Treatics, Nick Thom

THE LODGER [1983-44: drams prod., Robert Baston-ren, John Brahm: as-t. dr., San Schneider, Cast: Goorte Sandev, Merle Obron, Laird Cregar, Sr. Cedric Hard-Liff Charles, Charles, Charles, Cast. Goorte, Marden, Liffed Hielegoke, asst. dir. Saul Wuttel. Cast. Liffed Hielegoke, asst. dir. Saul Wuttel. Cast. Juliulah Bankhead, Walter Slezak, Henry Hul. Canada Lee, John Hodiak, Mary Anderson, Hung Cronyn, Hyalter Angel, Sturray, Addie.

Senate Believes Its Eves (Sees Long Film Lines in D.C.) and Not Its Ears, Spurning Anti-Tax Talk

These Three Boys Again

High Califice Day's Again Hollywood, Dec. 14. Billy Gilbert, Maxie Rosenbloom and Shenp Howard are hooked up again as a comic trio for a series of atures at Monogram First of the comedies starts in early January With Sam Katzman and Jack Dietz as co-producers.

Film P.A.'s Vote For Labor Tieup

Hollywood, Dee, 14.
Screen Publicists Guild, currently an independent group, voted in favor of joining the organized labor move-ment, either through affiliation with an already constituted American body or by joint affiliation in a new independent guild.

The propositional method of the propositional independent guilds.

Understood SPG leaders have contacted Herbert Sorrell, president of the propositional formation and the proposition and the proposi

tacted Herbert Sorrell, president of the Conference of Studio Unions, to determine the possibility of admis-sion to that body on probation, pending completion of arrangements for

RKO'S 10-YEAR LEASE ON ORPHEUM, ST. PAUL

Minneapolis, Dec. 14.

RKO has taken a 10-year lease on the present sight of the RKO Orpheum theatre in St. Paul and will continue to operate at the present location.

Previous

location.
Previously, when it appeared that the city-owned theatre structure would be closed or that an extension of the lease could not be had, RKO obtained an option to lease another downtown St. Paul house, the Lyceum. This option now has been dropped.

dropped.

The St. Paul RKO Orpheum utilizes a first-run film policy with occasional stage shows. It's in the Paramount circuit pool.

Buffalo Nabe House Files Complaint on Clearance

Buffalo Dec 14.

In a complaint filed with the Buffalo Arbitration Tribunal, the Rivoil Operating Corp. operating the Rivoil cast-ide nabe. charges that a previous stipulation and consent award entered here in a proceeding by the companiant and the consentation of t

The Rivoli, owned and operated by the Koanowski family since its opening 25 years ago, claims it was induced to consent to the written award through certain oral representations made to it by the defendants and which representations have been violated.

ants and which representations have been violate. Shea's Roosevelt the-atre, operated by Shea-Par-Loew, also intervenor in the prior, proceed-ing. Complainant seeks relief under both the run and elearance provi-sions of the decree.

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Washington, Dec. 14,

Wathington Dee, It, Senial Finance Committee proved last Thursday 19 It believes, its eyes and not its east, stamping okay and not its east, stamping okay 200 for the control of the country would be pushed and that small by the higher tax.

against the wait by the nigner tax.

Committee kayoed the House-okayed 5% levy on pari-mutuel grosses and reduced the proposed 30% bite on nitery checks to 20%.

House figures on bowling alley taxes were also slashed.

were also stashed.

There appeared no likelihood here that the Senate, itself, would upset the committee recommendations on admissions. Several members of the Finance Committee admitted they would have liked to help the legit thektres but said this could not be done without also stashing the tax on pix.

on pix.

While theatre leaders made good arguments against the 20% levy, claiming that in many sections committees have lost population heavily, they did not have specific facts at their fingertips. Such information, showing drastic population drops in some states and cities, is available in some Government agencies but the

some states and cities, as available in some Government agencies, but the theatre people did not have it. twee the state people did not have it. The state of the second states which have racing and which draw a substantial chunk of their incomes from the legalized betting. Reps for these states warned that their incomes would be sharply pared if the Government muscled in,"

NWLB SUSTAINS NIX ON CHI OPS' INCREASE

ON CHI OPS' INCREASE.

The National War Labob Board upheld the Regional War Labob Board upheld the Regional War Labob Board upheld the Regional War Labob Board for 699 motion picture operators in 372 theatres in this area, members of 172 theatres in this area, members of Increal 190, now being conducted by international officers of the IATSE. Increase would have given them care the second of the IATSE. Board, in refusing to depress the sealed of \$2.54 an hour and was figure agreed upon several months ago by local theatre managers.

Board, in refusing to approve the increase, admitted that it 'would still be within the limits of the Little bewinder the limits of the Little bewinder the limits of the Little would be 'highly unstabilizing, and would intensify the already great differential between the wages of these employees ithe operators) and of other skilled workers in the Chicago area.

SOEG Gets 10% Wage Tilt in Eight Studios

. Hollywood. Dec. 14. Screen Office Employes Guild and

Just An Uld Tease
Hollywood, Dec.
Delectuble viands vs. a bygone generation form the background for The Girl From Rector's newty-memories of the once-celebrated New York restaurant
Sereenplay will be written from George Rector's memory, printed in the Satevepost.



GIVE WAR BONDS FOR CHRISTMAS



What a "Find"!... Sensation of the Year!

SCREEN PLAY BY THERESE LEWIS AND BARRY TRIVERS
A COLUMBIA PICTURE

Literati

Hey, Peg.
This stuff you've been writing latey-ubout those conferences at Cairc and Teheran being just so much pump and circumstance.

pamp and circumstance.

Peg, have you lost anyone in this wat? We hope not. But don't you know that for those who have, and millions of others. Calio and Teheran represent the faith that their loss has not been in value?

and begin invalid."

And what you've been saying about ground to be invalid. The same saying about grows. Look the same saying about grows. Look the same saying about grows and saying about of it. But you've been writing like a give whom the Commies have seared the pants off. (ilke a give who's afraid to go into a strange retaurant because he thinks the joinful stake him on prices and belief will stake him on prices and belief once. Feg. It's when you're fooled once. Feg. It's when you're fooled he second time that you are a fool. You've heard list old one.

But what is there to be a fariad of.

You've heard list old one. But what is, there to be afraid of, Peg.' Who said we are fighting to cran our way of government down the throats of European countries? That's what Hiller tried to do. We've thought, and right along, that were primarily fighting for what find were primarily fighting for what find a continuation of the continuation of

How much of it is our business the way Russia handles, her internal art fairs—so long as she's on the level in her foreign relations? 'And the same goes for any other ration. Sure, Peg. Stalin has done some tough things since he's been head man in Russia. Still, we've got plate glass in front of us, too, and the passes of the passes try and the American Indian.

try and the American Indian.

Now don't assume that this is an attempt to condone many things which have taken place in Russia want to notate that there are a couple of pages in the diary of our own country that most of us would just as soon ski.

Per, you're a matter.

as soon ski.
Peg, you're a realist. You like to
write like one; don't you? So suppose Russig wants her Polish border
back? Suppose she wants Estonia.
Latvia and Lithunais, too? Just what
the hell can we netually do about
It? What can England do about It?
You can't drive a 48,000-ton battleship up a midtle European ditr road. Or let's put it the other way around, Supposing Wisconsin wanted to go Communistic. But all the other states in the U.S. were opposed to it. Just what the hell could Russia actually do about that?

Too, 'Pcg. those column's you've been writing on Mrs. Roosevelt's trip to the Pacific islands. Why don't you ask some of the wounded boys she ask some of the wounded boys site saw? If they didn't get anything from her visit—then you are right and her trip was a waste. But if they did get something from seeing her—then what's the difference what

The reason we presume to addres The reason we presume to address you this way. Peg, is that out in Mollywood we have a little paper. Variety Daily. It's little, but it gets around and that daily started to put the big blast on Willie Bioff even before you did. The reason we went ditc. Bioff. Peg, was because we went direct bioff. Peg, was because to be a because the work of the period of the period by the period of the per

Ever have anyone tell you that they were going to put you out of business, Peg? Anyone who stood a fair chance of doing it? We have. Three times. It's not much fun.

Yet, you were the one who really blew the Bioff thing wide open. We know that, and more power to you for it. As a matter of faet, Peg, we think you're a whale of a newspaper-man. Always have.

man: Always have.
But, Peg, what's the matter? This
44 election thing has long since been
building up to foreboding proportions. And, Peg, the country needs
gws like you to keep it balanced, so
that the people will be able to vote
the way they see it.
Come on: Peg; get back on Highway 30.

mail edition for that continent will be issued hereafter.

Clamp-down on Time is due to the Ramirez regimes' slisike of the mag's treatment of what goes on down there. Repeated impediments in the way of firm's publication in Argentina ended in a definite band and the state of t ments to move the printing plant out of the country. When the ban came, move immediately was made to Brazil.

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Time is only one of some 400
mags now on the Ramirez Blacklist,
Not all of hens are American, however, but hearly all pro-Allied or
from neutral countries sympathetic
to the Allies. Time's South American circulation is approximately
4,000, with around 3,000 in Argen-

Weeter's Prizewinner
Houghton Mifflin has awarded a
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1944. Based largely on unpublished
diaries and letters, it is an account
of the American soldier's return
from three wars—the Revolution's return
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Civil War, and the First World war not his adjustment to society and of society's adjustment to society and of By implication it suggests how we are to face the situation this time when it will be far more complex and acute than ever before.

John Walcott Killed in Action John Walcott Killed in Action Lt. John Cotton Walcott, 31, former managing editor of The Atlantic Monthly and New Englands first dratted father, has been killed in action on the Italian front, according to word reaching Westover Field, Mass, which he served as public re-lations officer.

Pic Goes For Family Trade Pic Goes For Family Trade
Pic, the Street & Smith picture
mag, is the latest publication of its
kind to change over to the family
lrade. Has acquired a new editor,
Guiles Davenport, who has ruled out
cheesecake and other flightly subjects, both pictorial and prose From
now on Pic is a homebody, with
babies on the cover and designed for
fireside reading for every member
of the family.

fireside reading for every member of the family.

Departure of the picture mags from male appeal via cheesecake to that of general readership has been steady, despite servicement's avidity for leg art as pin-up material. Reason: is plentitude of advertising which could be obtained by home

PM Buys N. Y. Building

PM Buys N. Y. Bullding PM is going through with Its plans to move all departments from Brooklyn to Manhattan, Marshall Fieldhaving purchased a 12-story building at Hudson and Dunne streets for the purpose. Quarters aren't far from the Post and World-Telegram buildings.

New PM building will house the New PM building will house the paper's own printing plant, as well as all celiforial departments. Means it is mid-Manhatin celiforial office. Understood: that, all departments of Parade, the Marshall Field newspaper supplement now quartered in the Grand Central district, will also be moved, to the newly-nequired lower Manhatia place.

War's Switch

War's Switch
The new pro-Democratic English
language daily Mexico City Herald
is being ron, on presses formerly
used in that city by the defunct
pro-Nazi Nuevo Dia.

The Herald being edited an
published by H. Tamez, veteran
press association man Mexico
City.

Knight Papers'

the way they see it.

Come on! Peg; et back on Highway.

Aw, Peg.

Sid.

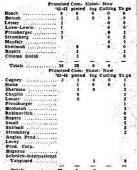
Time Moves Out of Argentina
Argentina's ban on Time mag has
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(Continued on page 46) Former employees now in service were not overlooked when Christ-

Advance Production Chart

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(Continued from page 23) .
Price, Mary Anderson, William Eythe, Ruth
Ford, James Rennie, Thurston Hall.

United Artists



Andy Clode, Zimmy Rogers, Herbert Rawlinson, Ellen Hall, Douglis Dumbrille, Hall Tallaferro, Josée Rockwell, Hall, Douglis Dumbrille, Hall Tallaferro, Josée Rockwell, THE BRIDGE OF SAN LUIS REV (1843-44), dramp, grod, Benedlet E. Begeaux iff, Rowland V. Lee, Cast: Lynn Bart, Aklin Tantroff, Louis Calbern, Nazimorz, Paralle, et al. Dumber Artists in Production Control of the Cont

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(CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY: prod. Felix Jackson: assoc. prod., Frank Shaw; dir., Nobert Siodinak; asst. dir., Williams.)

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tollow: Fire-president. Tom Lortus,
Clark Films, secretary, Pegrey Birckley, M-G-M: treasurer, Victoria Viad
Bache, Warmers, James James,
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week.

Fred Fortunato, University
The Stanley-Warner publicity offices moved to Earle Building last
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Sylvan Katz, 20th-Fox booker, is
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Other Theatre-Exchange Briefies

Philadelphia, Dec. 14.

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eryol. Agree Pist Production

BETTEVEN TWO WORLDS, formerly OUTWARD BUUND,

Germa: mod. Mary Hellinger (Hr. Edward Black; assi,
dir., Elmer Decker, Cast. John Garffeld, Paul Henred,
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Steffes Heads Mpls. Variety

Minneapolis, Dec. 14.
W. A. Steffes, World theatre owner
and independent exhibitor leader,
has been elected Northwest. Variety club chief barker, succeeding Bill El-

club chief barker, succeeding Bill El-son, independent, circuit owner, Other officers chosen were LeRoy J. Miller, Universal branch manager, first assistant: Abe Kaplan, independent circuit owner, second assistant; Max Torodor, exhibitor, treasurer. and Bennie Berger, secretary, inde-pendent circuit owner. The last two named were re-elected.

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Board of directors comprises all the officers and Elson, John J. Friedl, Paramount circuit president: Charlie, Jackson, Warrer salemans at the compression of the properties of the compression of the properties of the prope

ranze Heads Cleve. Variety

Cleveland, Dec. 14.

Bernard G. Krunze, Iocal brauch
manager of RKO-Radio exchange,
clected chief burker of Cleveland's
Variety Club. Also elected were
Myer Fine, M. B. Horwitz, asst.
L. J. Schmertz, Ircasuer. Directors
appointed M. Lefkowitz, William N.
Skirball, Jack Lissauer, Jack Song
Morry Ott, Dave Miller, Lester
Zucker, Chanles Rich, Mat Wolf and
Bert Stern. Cleveland, Dec. 14.

Scully's Sales Powwow
Stressing the success of the company in developing new screen stars
in recent years, W. A. Scully, Universal's sales chief, told company
in versal's sales chief, told company
N. Y. over the weekend for a twoday huddle that future product posshillties loom even brighter in
future. He said U would follow the
future. He said U would follow the
future of the public as they exist
today, Scully cited the impetus
given comedy throughout the film
Costello Jaugh vehicles. Sculty's Sales Powwow

Louisville, Dec. 14.
Standard Theatres, Milwaukee,
which operates a chain, in Wisconsin, took over the 2,400-seak National
Friday (10). House had been operting offly by the work of the contractor.
Evansville, Ind. contractor.
Had been playing name bands and
vaude acts to good by; but did have
a couple losing weeks. Louisville, Dec. 14.

' Winners

Winners of the 'Mr. Lucky' contest held for RKO circuit managers in re the showing of the RKO film were jointly announced yester-day (Tuesday) by Ned Depinet, prexy of RKO pictures, and Edward Alperson, general manager of RKO theatres.

theatres.

The winners include: Harry Schreiber, RKO Palace, Columbus, \$350, as top out-of-towner and Larry F. Greib, Albee, Brooklyn, \$200, headed the N. Y. contingent. Joan Barcroft, Columbus, received \$100 for netting the most publicity for the film.

To Again Head SPG

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A1 a metal held during the past
week nominations were under for the
namual election of the Screen Publicists Guid. N. V. to be held Jan. 18.
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Too Photogenic!

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A nitery photograph made in Chicago helped to solve two theatre and a hotel holdup here, police announced last week.

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The photograph was turned over to Illinois authorities for the holdup of a Chicago hotel. However, to aid in Dipomo's arrest the Craph made in a Chicago neighboth of the suspect in company with one Frank Cudder and Kathleen Flesher seated at a table. The latter two Prink Cudder and Kathleen Flesher seated at a table. The latter two was able to have Cudder identified as the one who robbed the down as was to have Cudder identified as the one who robbed the down last July 21 and followed with the robbery of another United-Detroit liteatre in the loop, the Broadway-Capitol, of \$900 on Cd. 8. Police and if probably would mean an expense of the photograph prought here for the two theater robberies.

Gillham Plots Selling Campaign on 'Dark' Pic

At a meeting of theatre advertis-ing and publicity men. in Chicago Sunday (12) to discuss the selling approach to the pu lie on Par'. 'Lady in the Dark,' which will not be made available to theatres until February, Bob Gillham, Par's adver-February, Bob Gilliam, Par's adversing-publicity head, outlined details of an ad campaign that will exceed \$400,000 in cost. iilliam took a print of the picture to Chicago for screening there in connection with the all-day meeting. National campaign on Lady's will be timed to break with the world printer as the control of the control

'Curie' Last Pic to Be 24-Sheeted for Duration

Hollywood, Dec. 14. Metro's drama of radium. 'Madame Curic,' is the last picture to be billboarded with 24-specis for the duraboarded with 24-styles for the diffi-tion, owing to wartime limitating on paper and lithographing facilities. Picture is being plugged in the Los Angeles area on 250 stands.

RETRY 10G DES MOINES SUIT Des Moines, Der. 14.

Des Moines, Der. 14.
Mrs. Jennie LaSell. 64, will flave a retriat of the \$10,000 damage suit fled against Tri-State Theater Corp. for injuries suffered in a fall in the Des Moines theatre in June, 1941. In May, 1942, a verdiet in favor of the theatre eompany was returned. Later, Mrs. LaSell was grainted a new trial by the supreme court.



"Junior has been so quiet and retiring lately we started feeding him Wheatles, but I wonder if they really will boost his energy."

Do cherubs really turn into holy on the Heir Appalling . hiring terrors upon eating Wheaties? Not: the small breakfast-rebel into abbara rule. .. More often, Wheaties sorbing a wholesome cereal in actually exert a calming influence wholesale quantity.

HAPPY LAND 23rd

New York Theatres

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Spectacular Stage Productions

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Paul White Hits Censorship

Paul W. White, CBS director of news broadcasts, who was the storm petrol of the recent commentator censorship controversy, cause some ear-pricking last week (10) when, at a luncheon tossed for Eric Severeid at the Ambassador hole, N. Y., he lashed out at stupid een

Sevared at the Amoasancor notes, n. x., ne issues out at sugue cern-portalis, in introducing the CSB corresponded two returned recently from the China-India-Burns theatre of war, was describing the mani-fold adventures encountered by Sevared in his jungle treks, likewise commenting on the official Government clamp which still Borbids the war correspondent from disclosing tunusual episodes in China: Such censorship was characterized by White as stupid, but conceded that find that's the way they wanted it, three's nothing to be done about it.

'Ghost Town' Tag Rallies Radio Execs, Talent Into Restoring Chi's Prestige

Farm-Home Hr. Show

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Bob White takes over, effective immediately, as head of public serv-ice for the central division. He re-

places ill Drips, who resigned to become director of agriculture pro-grams of the NBC central division.

Alfred Politz, of the Elmo Roper organization, has resigned to join the Compton agency as research director.

He will also continue his inde-

pendent activities in audience and readership research.

As Research Director

Politz Joins Compton

Format: Wash. Huddle

Chicago, Dec. 14.

Radio producers, directors, actors, accord brans, editors and station brass hats are reported ready to wrestle with the problem of bringing Chicago back as a major airshow production center.

Many and varied are the opinions being aired as to the whys and wherefores of big shows as well as talent leaving Clitego, but the fol-lowing points seem to be generally agreed upon:

lowing points seem to be generally gareed upon:

(1) That Chicago, pinneer of the daytines seemles, got its initial starting seemles are real incentive to play down names on the various shows. We have seen the seemles show the

willing to go beyond that figure ex-cept in extreme cases. Helping this situation to develop all along the line was the fact that plenty of name tal-ent was available on both the cast and west coasts, which started a nat-tural trend away from Chicago of all shows that were built around a name.

name.
(3) Thus the problem of the radio 13) Thus the problem of the radio actor became one of getting more than scale for their work, but even more important was the problem of gaining recognition. Faced with the double problem, many actors choose (Continued on page 38)

Blue in Talent Bid Via 'On Stage Everybody' Show Preeming Jan. 1

Show Preeming Jan. 1
The Blis network will be off a telent opportunity program New Year's Day with 'On Stage Everybody,' half-hour show to be heard Saturdays at I am. Volunteers in the network 'Open qualitions Thursday (or with be given quadrions Thursday (or with be given quadrions Thursday (or with be given quadrions Thursday (or with be given puditions Thursday of the program, which will be dated under his between the work of the program, which will be dated under his the music assignment.

Comedy and dramatic writers also are eligible to try out, but material must be accompanied by signed re-legaes.

MEAT INSTITUTE BUYS BENDIX COMEDY SHOW

William Bendix heads a comedy william Bendix heads a comedy script show for American Mest Institute over the Blue network because of the Blue network because of the Blue network because dor Life of Bluey. Lou Kostlori directs the music. Three agents figured in the deal. Bendix is a client of the Rosalic Stewart agendy, Guimmo Marx packaged the show and William Morris negotiated the salte.

GM'S 1/2-BILLION BUDGET A TIPOFF

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counts through the war years in keeping the trademarked product before the buying public, with in-dications of upped budgets for the coming year generally regarded as reflecting the attitude that '44 with be the 'home stretch' before the recov-version sets in. Budgets for the coming year are (Continued on page 38)

Dot Lamour, Phil Harris On Sinatra's Initialer: Wheeler to Be Fixture

Wneeler to Be Tixture
Dorothy Lamour and Phil Harris
have been lined up as guests on the
debut of Farnk. Siniatra's new program for Vinnus vitamins. In addition, to the two guests there will be
comedian Bert Wheeler, who will be
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comedian Bert Wheeler, who will be
conducted to the studio band before
and conductor.
Show debuts Jan. 5 in the 9-930
p.m. slot on CBS. Initial show will be
done from the Coast. Siniatra leaves
N. Y. Dec. 21 to report at RKO for a
few film choost.

Hanson Envisions 1.000 Tele Stations. 25,000,000 Receivers in 10 Years If **FCC Retains Wavelength Allocations**

Coast Pirates

Pirating of directors and pro-ducers of top radio shows on the Coast by agencies is reportedly proving a headache to all the proving a neadache to all the nets. According to one source, just returned from the Coast, one of the webs recently sent three producers to Hollywood, three producers to Hollywood, but they didn't keep them long. Within two weeks all were working for agencies.

CBS Socony Vacuum Show Plans Rotating Bands, Also Stars

Bands, Also Mars:
CSB Thursday evening time Socony-Vacuum has already bought,
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scheduled for another South American trip soon

Agency's Yule Bonus

Hollywood, Dec. 14.
Employees of Foote, Cone & Belding agency will be given a holiday bonus amounting to 8.1% of their annual salaries

First agency on the Coast to trot out their gift horse.

Washington, Dec. 14. Washington, Dec. 14.
Long range predictions of what
the post-war era will bring in television. FM, faesimile, and standard
brondensting were made before the
Sonate Inlierstate Commerce Committee last Friday (10) by O. B.
Hanson, chief engineer and vp. of
NBC: and F. K. Jett, chief engineer
of FCC.

of FCC.

Highlights of their testimony before the committee, which is conducting hearings on the WhiteWheeler bill to amend the Federal
Communications Act:

Communications Act:

1. Hanson said that, if present wavelength allocations are left undisturbed by FCC (extremely unlikely), there will be at least 1.000 television stations and 25,000,000 television receivers in service within

10 years. 10 years.

2. Within two years of the Armistice. Hauson predicted as 'probable' a television network stretching from Washington to Boston, and similar regional networks centering in such centers as Chicago, Los Angeles and Frice. He. Foresaw coast-to-coast television webs in operation a decade after the war.

3. He said television would become the 'dominant service' and that FM-will eventually displace most stand-ard wave broadcasting.

will eventually displace most standard wave broadcasting.

4. Jett predicted a 'very rapid a growth' of elevision, PM and fassimile after the war, and said that predicted a 'very and fassimile after the war, and said that the control of the said that the said that the control of the said there was no reason why a radio network could not commete a consideration of the said there was no reason why a radio network could not commete telephone and telegraph message, and simultaneously earry standard broadcastine, FM and facetimile. Jett went into the telephone fact that the said in the said simultaneously earry standard broadcastine, FM and facetimile. Jett went into the telephone fact that the said is the said of the sai

CBS After 15-Minute Opposite-Benny Feature To Follow Wm. Shirer

With William L. Shirer in the 7-7-15 (EWT) slot opposite the Benny show on Suday night, CBS is re-portedly making a frantic search for a 15-minut Feature sufficiently dif-ferent from the Benny formula to attract the listeners who don't circ for the Benny line of chalter. In III out the 7.15-7.30 time.

out the 7:15-7:30 time. CBS programming department has ordered all program managers to be on the lookout for likely material. Nobbing that even faintly resembles an idea has been turned up as yet.

WISHING WILL MAKE IT SO-ASK WINCHELL

Insiders are still trying to figure the angle on Walter Winchell's cruck on his Simday night (12) broadcast about the weekend cald wave that New York and the novibroast. The columnist reported the weather item and their commented to the effect that he would like to be at the Roney-Plaza in Florida with other lucky individuals during the subfreeding blasts.

lucky individuals during the sub-recean blasts. Gimmick is that Winchell broad-cast from Mismi; where he has been vacationing for the past several weeks. Understood that network of-heials spotted the crack when Win-heil's script reached New York but, after considerable discussion, de-cided to let, the litery stand.

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War Plants Nix 'Swing Shift' Show If Sold By Blue to Rival Industry

The Blue sales staff has been huddling with several prospective sponsors for the 'Swing Shift Frolies, which the web airs on a 'coast-lo-coast hookup in collaboration with the Skouras theatres and the N. Y Post. All that is known about the Interested advertisers is that they

interested advertisers Is that they manufacture consumers goods. The show, piped into war plants Is, the sext employing 1,000,000 workers morning apot for Friday evening 10:30-110 beginning this week (17). Talks with the war plant exces indicate that white they would have taken the properties of the work
RCA's 9-Month Net \$7,435,025

While usual year-end writeoffs and adjustments will come in the current fourth quarter, financial quarters anticipale 50c slightly quarters anticipale 50c slightly more earnings per common share in 1943 for Radio Corp. of America. Company reported \$7.435,025 profit for the first-three quarters or about 66c per share. Operations of all broadcasting units and manufacturbroadcasting units and manufacturing are reported running considerably, ahead of 1942. Actually the RCA manufacturing division is operating at capacity in turning out communications equipment, radio transmitters, receivers and similar electronic devices, bulk of which is for the government.

for the government. Financial reports during the year give no breakdown of operations by arrious subside, but Nytional Broadcasting Co. time sales point to a gain of about 15° in net revenue over 1942. NBC is the second largest evenue producer of RCA's subsidiaries. The gross income from NBC received by the parent corporation last year amounted to \$\$2,813,910.

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last year amounted to \$22,613,910.

However, a portion of this came from the Blue Network, which was sold for \$8,000,000 each this year. Just how this will figure in the final financial statement of RCA has not been revealed thus far, but believed likely that it has been added to working capital.

BROWN RESIGNS NBC FOR RCA VICTOR POST

Charles R. Brown has resigned di-rectorship of NBC advertising, pro-notion and research to become ad-vertising director of the RCA Vic-tor Division. Brown will be respon-able for coordinating the advertis-ing for the various Victor predicts in the properties of the con-traction of the pro-serve the company.

The agencies are J. Walter Thomp of Victor and Bluebird re behalf of behalf of Victor and Bluebird rec-ords and the International Division; Ruthrauff & Ryan for radio, phono-graph and television equipment and Kenyon & E.khardt for RCA tubes and special electronic and radio, ap-paratus.

CIAA Reps Back From So. Amer. Radio Parley

Do. Amer. Radio Farley
Wilfred S. Roberts, head of the
N. Y. division of the radio branch of
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Back in '34

Editor, 'Variety'.

"It does not seem to me to be in keeping with 'Variety's dong memory an its customary sportsmanship for your columns to constantly refer to this new radio series, Phileo's 'Hall of Fame,' as a completely new idea.

The fact is the original 'Hall of

"The fact is the original [Hall of Famile program appeared on the Red network of NBC in a coast-coast hooking, during the year coast-ment of the coast of the coast-le coast of the coast-le coast-ment of the coast-ment of the coast-ment of the coast-ment of the coast-le coast-coa

guest star a fee of \$5,000 for one performance on one program.

The 'Hall of Fame' ran for a year under Lehn & Fink's auspices, and it was artistically a great success. The program went off the air at the end of

1934.

In speaking of Radio's 'Hall' of Fame' as an original idea. I think you ought to give credit where credit is due. The chap who first sparked that idea and put if on the air was Ed Plaut,
Yours very truly.

Lennen & Mitchell, Inc.,
Philip W. Lenien.

Dual 'Carmen' Role On 'Radio Hall of Fame' As Muriel Smith Takes III

murret Jmilla Jakes III.
Deem Taylor, announcer on the
Philor Radio Hall of Fame' broadact Sunday 121 bet the visible audience at the Ritz theatre in on a
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matic role. The compromise was producer Dee Engelbach's Idea, when he heard that Muriel Rahn, who is the alternate prima in the original Billy Rose stage production, was miffed about something and refused to substitute. Miss Rahn is leaving the Rose, production, and wasn't concerned with the emergence.

the emergency.

Miss Matthews is a chorister in Carmen Jones' but will probably now be promoted to general understudy on the strength of her last-minute pinchitting.

COLUMBIA U CITATION FOR ED. TOMLINSON

Columbia University will present radio commentator Edward Tomlin-son, specialis in Inter-American af-fairs for the Blue Network, with a gold medal, known as the Maria Moors Cabot prize, for 'distinguished service in advancing international feet of the control of the control of the control of the control of the (West).

R.&R. Ups Its Capital Stock to 30,000 Shares

Albany, Dec. 14.

Conference was held from Nov. 20 to Dec. 4, at which reproof the which reproof the with reproof to the with reproductive the with the Challenge with the Secretary of Secretary the was the with reproductive the w

Gerald Cook to Huddle With BBC Execs in Eng.

Gerald Cook, BBC representative in San Francisco, is currently in New York on his way to England for a periodic confab with homeoffice of ficials. He expects to return to the U. S. in

Don Lee Chain Sets Nov. Peak

Dels Nov. 1 cat.

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DUMONT SWITCHING TO LARGER STUDIOS

Dumont television broadcasting activities will dransfer from their mades are used to be a larger layout on a lower floor of the building sometime next month. Moving operations aircady have started, but actually date of transfer is dependent on material priorities, labor supply. Problems,

priorities, labor supply, problems, New Studies will occupy more than 1,000 square feet of floor space, giving the Dumont station, WZ-VV, about three times the area of the mediate program improvements will follow occupancy of the new studie, according to Dumont's Sam Guff, who explained several sets can be discovered to the control of
Cleve. Protests Restore 'Morgan Manor' Program

Cleveland, Dec. 14. Hal Morgan's 'Morgan Manor,' non-sponsored musical matinee, was pushed aside at WGAR for sponsored pushed aside at WGAR for sponsored Santa Claus annual gift letter-read-ing broadcasts. But 682 'Morgan Manor' fans protested and sent Carl George, director of operation, a nine-fool-long petition asking for Mor-san's return. So Morgan was returned on Satur-So Morgan was returned on Satur-tor was some some some some some when Xmas is over a shifts to his resultar failit renovam.

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FRANK KINCDON

Commentators Controversy'

VARIETY'S

Post-War Show Business Number

(38th Anniversary Edition)

Setting Radio Slang Straight

On the grounds that radio as an industry has reached full maturity, and of necessity has coined its own language in the growing process. C. E. Hooper, Inc., luss lanched a free service available to perbodicals, scripters and others in order to set people straightfon correct terminology. The organization, in proyiding the service, feels that it can render a public service in establishing a standard on radio veroisage and at the same time provide a more universal understanding of phrases that are proularly radio's own. Jean King, formerly of Binckelu-Sample-llumniert, has joined the organization to direct the

service. In addition, Hooper, in collaboration with Matthew Chappell; technical consultant for the outfit, is bringing out the first glossary of radio terms, which have been incorporated into a book. How to Measure Radio Andiences, bruing published next month by Stephen Day.

Inside Stuff—Radio

Novel preentation of shows packaged in Hollywood by Alex Robb at NBC. for inspection by agency heads and time buyers, has gone out in the mails. Conceived by Frank Ford, Coost sales promotion immager for the network, collection of pracrama, has been brochured with record-album effect, each silt containing the printed case history of the program can be added and the process and the process of the program of t

WOR's (N. Y.) sales department reveals that 65 of the station's advertisers have been buying time from four to 18 Konsecutive years. Diagn Brothers Whole Wheat read- and Pation Products Golden Blass with the White of the Products Golden Blass with the Whole Whole Products Golden Blass with the Whole
A two-column ad placed by CBS for WDBJ, Ronnöke, came out second in a recent study of newspaper readership made by the Advertising Research Foundation, Jue, N. Y., in the Ronnöke World-News. According to the ARF, the ad altraviet 36% of the men readers and 32% of the women. It was one of the service prepared by CBS to plus sponsized whey shows. The ad was topied only by a Lucky Strike spread which stopped 60% the men and 64% of the Women.

WINS becomes the first New York station to scratch time distinction rates under a new rate card, effective Jan 1, which has just been cleaned. All time from 6 and, to individually its sold at the same rate and the station has man urated a dollar volume discount policy, also a new departure for WINS.

Basic hourly rate quoted in new card ranges from \$300, for weeks, to \$240 for 52 weeks. sual discounts are quoted.

So, that eager additinces took be forced to will for television to find out what their forced took not their their forced. Life mag is proparing to lautich a pic-story series on outstanding, newsworthy or novelty air shows. George Frazier and a camera crew were on hand at the Philoc-Variety 'Isla' of Fame' preent for coverage and 'Inner Sanctum' also is reported under consideration for Life candid camera treatment.

Wash, State Educators Map Utilization Of Dec 14

Washington state educational lead-Washington state educational lead-ers are working as #Board of Edu-cational. Counsellors with King CBS' 'American School of the Air' and other public service programs car-ried by KIRO.

Counselling board is made up of Counselling board is made up of the program of the country of the country of the intendent of Schools; Samuel Flem-iendent of Schools; Samuel Flem-

intendent of Schools: Samuel Fleming, assistant super of Seattle schools: Arthur Mars, ...editor, Washington Education Association Journal; Mrx, Dale J. Marble, President of the Seattle Radio Council; Father E. J. McFadden, Seattle Radio Council; Carlot Seattle Radio Mrx. L. Council of Parent-Teachers Association of the Council of Parent-Teachers Association At a luncheon meeting recently Avc KIRO executives discussed plans with the board, the executives discussed plans with the board, the executives and the seat being the council of the co Ave KIRO executives discussed plans with the board, the exect being Loren B. Stone, assistant manager; Kenneth Yeend, educational director; Ma'iory Carler, educational dept.; Bob Spence, operations manager; Norman Runions, special events chief, and Márjorie de Garmó, publicity director.

CBS' 'SCHOOL OF AIR' THRU XMAS HOLIDAYS

The CBS educational feature American School of the ir will conduct classes through the Christ-mas holidays this year for the first time in its 14-year radio career. Ten programs, including musical, forum and dramatic presentations, have been announced for the period between Dec. 20 and 31. Broadcast time for

Dec. 20 and 31.

Broadcast time for the half-hour shows are 9:15 a.m. with repeals at 3:30 p.m. Network announced number of requests prompted deviation from usual Christmas vacation

Longview, Tex.-Gordon E. Guest has been added to the announcing staff of KFRO. From the distaff side comes Bernice Johnson to take over duties in the station's new transmit-ter building.

Eversharp Now CBS' 'School of Air' Plans 'Best Acts Of Wk.' Program

Eversharp, currently represented on the air by the Phil Baker-Take It or Leave It' Sunday night CBS quiz show, will sponsor another halfhonr weekly network program, vi , with the Thursday ni the 7:30-8 slot reportedly set.

Fixed format of show hasn't been decided upon as yet, but reportedly it will embrace the top performances of the preceding week. Whether or not it will be a transcribed or live talent show is also undecided as yet. Blow is the agency.

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Radio Educ'n Institute Set for Next May 5-8

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The 15th annual meeting of the Institute for Education by Radio will be held May 8-8 at the Desilver-bound of the Columbus, by Ohio Stale University Columbus, by Ohio S

GI SCHOOLS RADIO EXPERT

WXYZ, Detroit, Picks Up Bomber Crew TRAINING FUTURE Plenty of Christmas Spirit on Tap For 2-Way Broadcast With War Plants

Detroit, Dec. 14.
Scoring a beat here, Station
WXYZ proided a dramatic linking
of both ends of the war effort in
the broadcast of a two-day radio
conversation between the Rangoon
Rumbler and Detroit's war workers.
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Rumbler and Detroits war workers. With the Detroit, press paying plenty of attention to the broadcast between 'the Men on the Fighting Line to the Men on the Production Line,' the station picked in the Crew of the famous bomber flying over-betroit, in conversation with war workers assembled with the City and state via the Michigan Network.

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Despite the possibilities of slip-ups Despite the possibilities of slip-ups broadcast hit directly on the nose. When the air workers on the ground said, 'Coine in Rangoon Rambler,' at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, when the broadcast was scheduled to start, like plane was directly over the City Hall with the ground mike picking it up.

The broadcast also was made through a special grant of the FCC and saw both Army and WXYZ equipment interchanged for the morale linking of fighting men and was worken.

JACK PEGLER LEAVING F-C-B AFTER 16 YRS.

THUB AFTER 16.YRS.

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Harrington, radio director of Young
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for Walter Pidgeon and then Rubicans
Young, but various factors have prevailed against final accord. vailed against final accord.

Harrington returns to New York next week but heads back to the Coast after the holidays to get the show in trame.

Advertising Agency Showmanship

le Surveyed in the

38th Anniversary Number

VARIETY

(The Post - War Show Business Edition)

Hull, Trammell Set NBC Series On State Dept.

Washington, Dec.
The Dept of State, in a move to acquaint Americans with its work of acquaint Americans with its work accrete of four half-hour broadcasts over the NBC. Details were worked out at an hour conference at the State Dept, in Washington on Wedthur at the NBC persy, and William B. Miller, chief of the network's public services division. Statza bows in on Saturday, Jan. 8.

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from 7-420 p.m.
Tentative lineups for the pro-grams include most of the State Dept's loopers. First session, ex-plaining the year's work that went recent Museron-Caito-Treberm con-terentes, with the highlighted by the appearance of Edward Stetlinius, Assistanti Secretary of State, Loo Pasvolsky, special asst to the Secre-psycial advisor to Hull.
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Post-war economic planning, as contrasted to the political planning contrasted to the political plamfing discussed on the first program, will engage the explanatory talents of Asst. Secretaries Adolph Berle and Dean Acheson and Plarry C. Hawkins, member of the Board of Economic Operations and chief of the Division of Commercial Politics and Agreements. George 8. Messermith, U. S. Ambassador to Mexico, with the Commercial Politics and plants on this session.

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The final program will feature:
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Barnett Vice M'Kaye On Lux Show Adaptations show. Plans call for the cancellation of

MANPOWER POOL

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The thousands of GI's engaged both in Army and Navy public relations and special services via the tendence of the contraint
New Cumberland, Penna, whose record of accomplishment, it's pointed out, can be multiplied a hundred fold, both in this country, and oyer-seas. A post comprised of limited servicemen-engaged in "processing new soldiers—it has set up a radio program made up of hone-made' talent, both from the technical and casts every Thursday evening at 10:30. As in the case of hundreds of other Gf-sponsored program, it's al-10.30. As in the case of hindreds of other GI-spoisseed programs, its already attained such 'professional' stature to avairant broadcasts over a stature to avairant broadcasts over a stations, all of which pay their own toll. These men, operating a group of over a dozen stations, are giving out not just the air-time, but are also paying the line charges; in order to bring the program to their listeners.

paying the line charges in order to bring the program to their listeners. In contrast to commercial radio, signed primarily to hypo home-front morale and pitching in on WAC recruitment. War Bond drives, etc. recipion Centers. Temeyland to Prande program was cited for lading \$55,000,000 into University of the Centers of the Prande program was cited for lading \$55,000,000 into University of the Centers and through its production of any Nurse Corps recruiting. Dozens of subjects, such as safety of the Centers of t

Ford Also Seeks 1/2-Hr. CBS Spot

Chicago, Dec. 14. rd Motor Co., Thompson, which took over the ad account of the motor company, is dickering for a half-hour night spot on CBS. Danny Danker, in the Thompson Hollywood will handle the show, which will be either comedy, drama variety

LUX SINOW Adaptiation

Millowood, Dec. The production reins on the DeMilleLUX Radio. Theatre show pass, roll for the cancellation of the
Sanford Barriel to Fred MacKaye, toy time can be purchased on ConBarrielt will succeed Geoirge Wells, who leaves in two weeks to present will succeed Geoirge Wells, who leaves in two weeks to present of the control of the co

In Four Networks' Shows Next Wk.

FRED ALLEN

Makes 'The Confession'

One of the More Sprightly iterial Features of

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Mutual Solves Liquor Travel 'Pep Talk' Snag

satisfaction of at least two of its clients, the liquor and transportation problems by inaugurating salesmen-dealer rallies via 'closed circuit' conferences, thus eliminatin the need for conventions.

Two weeks ago Schenley dealers, salesmen, etc., assembled in the various MBS outlet studios around the country for a 15-minute closed cir-cuit plug-in to hear MBS prexy Miller McClintock and others in con-nection with Mutual's recent acquisi-tion of the Xavier Cugat show from

Idea was so successful that a Idea was so successful that a similar stunt will be tried Friday (18) in connection with the Cedric Foster Employer's Group' Sunday show going full network: McClintock will again speak.

U. S. Gullibles Fall For MBS Show's 'Rib' Ads On 'Dr. Quack's Tablets'

Detroit, Dcc. 14.

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B.B.D.&O. AUDITIONS 'BEST' SHORT STORIES

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Christmas flavoring to commercial and sustaining air shows on all stations throughout the country next week will be climated as usual with release the control of the country of the count

ican carols.

An ambitious three-hour traveling program has been set, by NBC for Xmas afferono at 2 o'clock. Prexy Niles Trammell will be lieard emphasizing as the thome of show the democratic way of life for which we are fighting. Robert St. John will be the tourist in charge as the program are fighting. Robert St. John will be the tourist in charge as the program the tourist in charge as the program. City of Bethlehen, London, Cairo, Alaska, Iceland, on the overreas journ, and Washington, New York.

Another CBS holiday offering will, be the Xmas afternoon Eigh variety show (4 to 5) with Bing Crobby, and the control of t

Coca-Cola Dickering For Xmas Net Time Via Super-Duper Show

Cola Cola is reported making a time for a Christmas Day radio ex-

last-minute pitch to obtain networ time for a Christians Day radio extravuganza along the lines of its 1942 super-duper which spotted mikes at service camps all over the country for portions of programs by leading ambitious of the holiday shows, tied in with the soft drinks nightly Spoilight Band shows with all of the combos previously heard on this combos previously heard on this need to be composed to the combos previously heard on the nideral combos previously heard on this need to be composed to the form of 12 hours, at one lick on the Blue network. Despite success of the stunt, white need to the combos previously heard on the caused a lot of chatter in the indulry, a proposition to repeat with caused a lot of and on during recent weeks. Last week, however, the Atlanta head-quarters of Cocc Cola made a last minute decision, its reported, to off and on during recent weeks. Last week, however, the Atlanta head-quarters of Cocc Cola made a last minute decision, its reported, to might be considered to the constitution of the company of the control of the

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Other networks have been con-

alize them with name stars and sup-porting casts.

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This is Ally Best' is serving a post-lifety for medium budget dayline show.

Radio Spielers, Exec Editors Advocate Heine Joins Thompson International Post-War OWI Setup

ing up of an international office of War Information to insure adequate flow of news of important attlied confabs and war developments was suggested last Thursday. (9) by radio commentators and executive

RADIO

editors of UP, AP. INS and Reuters during a forum discussión aired via WHN. N. Y. titled 'Are We Getting, Brough News'. The answer to that question was generally 'No and reference and the state of the WHN

Stanza's highlight was the cross Stanza's highlight was the cross-scannianton of Cole concerning Reu-ters 'beat' on the Cairo conference, cole defended Reuters on the grounds that once the news was cir-culated in the neutral city. Lisbon, and was becamed ask and forth by Ask ratio, it was perfectly on the story worldwide. He disclosed that Reuters was beaten by more than 28 hours on the news of the linvasion of last, implying that the agency' has

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Tee Wells, of the agency, did some fast phoning after hearing from Dorsey and succeeded, in landing Connec Boswell as 'Basin Street' guest for the spot vacated by the band leader:

Name Herbert Director In CBS Program Dept. On airshows. Under serious consideration Helent Forrest, who recently limit become a feature of the control of the cont

operations department, appointed a director in the network's program department. He'll handle the with Dunn series.

He recently was given a medical ischarge by the Army.

Premieres (Dec. 15-26)

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Stars For a Night, guest-stars and amuteurs; 10:30-11:00 nav. Mednesday. WIZ-Blue: Adam Hats; Glickstein agency: Trees, and at women or street, and at women or street, and at women or street, and the street, and th

Radio Engineers In Post-War Aim

prexy this year but will retire office at the January session.

Cashman Scouts Talent On Coast for Luckies

Hollywood Dec. 14. Ed Cashman, radio exec of the Foole, Cone & Belding agency, is here doublin George Washington Hill and spend-ing all his waking hours talking to ing air its waking nours talking to agents and auditioning talent. His cap is set for comedy and sliging personalities who would fit into the American Tobacco (Luckies) lineup of airshows.

Charles Herbert, formerly an as- Other talent is being searched out by sistant director in the CBS network. Cashman in theatres, film studios and night spots and the list he takes back east for Hill's Inspection should be

O'Hara Cops Trophy As Top Baseball Gabber

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Treasury Sets 52 E.T. Shows For Bond Drive

A series of \$2 transcriptions moting the Fourth War Loan opening next month has been pre pared by the Treasury Dept. and will available to throughout the country on a local sponsorship basis, accor ing to NAB. which cooperated in the campaign.

Also available be salesmen's Also available portfolios for use in lining up spon

sors.

In addition to 26 transcriptions of 15-minute shows modeled along Treasury Star Parade lines, and 26 five-minute shows, several spot an enuncements also will be furnished and these, too, are open for sponsor-

ship.
Vincent F. Callahan, director or adio, press and advertising in the Treasury's War Finance ivision worked up the simil in conjunction with the 'NAB organization'.

FM Stations In Comm'l Switch

FM Broadcasting. Inc., meeting held here last week at the Drake hotel broaden out the fact that most of the FM stations throughout the country have switched from an experimental to a commercial basis. Total of 64 executives representing Total of 64 executives representing 40 stati his atten. The one-day meeting that took up the setting of a budget for 1944 and the possible opening of an office in Washington during the coming year.

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Arthur Chitek, of Midland Broadcasting, the fatter.

CIAA DX'S OVERSEAS PICKUPS TO LATIN AM.

Newest wrinkle in Lalin American shortwaves through the Coordinator of hier American Affairs, is the five-a-week five-minute shate of overscass or pickups, done by Latin American commentators. On Monday, Wednes-day and Fri ay, Juan-Tuero broad-casts from Afjers over the OWI cir-cuit, while on Tue-day, and Thurs-day. Arture Desputory is heard from London. CfAA then transcribes the broadlensts and programs are shortof later American Affairs, is the fivebroadcasts broadcasts and programs are short-waved via 10 SW stations.

Program started Oct. 25, but C(AA)

Program started Oct. 2a, but CTAA, held back story begause they wanted to ... the results before releasing, exposes has been good, 'according to CTAA spokesman, and may build into bigger pickups and relays to the L.A. countries in the future.

Lever Bros. Tuesday Buildup

Lever Brob, has taken an unusual step in advertising shows sponsored by different companies, in launching a national campaign lobuid up Truesday night as comedy night.

In addition to plugging its own Burns and Allen sinuxa for Swan Soap, which is heard 9 pm. 'EWT' via CBs. the ad puid for by Lever features Johnson's Wax-Fibber McGee and Molly (623-10): People of the Company of

From the Production Centres

IN NEW YORK CITY .

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Paul F. Laszréled, of Columbia University: Philip II. Cohen; of the OWI. Leon Goldstein, of WMCA: Eligar Kobak, of the Blue; Lymais Bryann, C188; Morris Novik, of WMYC, and Miller MecUnitock, of Muttal, were among the Speakers yesterday (Tucsday) at the radio session of the fourth annual Health Muttalion Contenees in New York... Hartley. I. Samiels annual Health Muttalion Contenees in New York... Hartley. I. Samiels son, vite-president and account executive of the entire of the form. A series of the Company
to supervisor of service of the latter setup.

Lattrenet Bammond, former War Manpower, Cummission radio director and a scripter-director, resigned as publicity rep of Bendix aircruft and is doing several ming articles, on manpower, the first to appear in The Independent Woman and be reprinted by Reader's Digest. . Stuart Bistanna, Blier seript editor, also directs 'The Falcon' and 'Opt of the Shadows' for the same network. . . Chris Cunningham, announcer'at WPAT, Indexeon, due for induction Saturday (18). At Raymond returned to his WFAT announcer; job after medical discharge from Army. Dave Golden of the Control o

Zerbe (Brave Tomorrow).

James Plennning, heard last, week on CBS from Cairo on foreign gasignment, was former announcer on 'Our Gal Sunday.' Mr. Keene' an Front Pane Frentl', warren Sweeney, Bernard Dudley are funding the commercials on the new it Pequires show. Fridays on Brondsoys.' Commercials on the new it Pequires show. Fridays on Brondsoys. Commercials on the new it Pequires show. Fridays on Brondsoys. The Commercials on the new it Pequires show. Fridays on Brondsoys. Commercials on the New York of the Commercials on the New York of the Commercial Commercials on the Pequires of the Commercial Commercials on the Commercial Commercial Commercials on the Commercial Commercial Commercial Commercials on the Commercial Commercial Commercials on the Commercial Commercial Commercial Commercial Commercials on the Commercial Commercial Commercial Commercial Commercials on the Commercial Comme

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RCA is tossing a Christmus party at the Pain of Dec. 17.

IN HOLLYWOOD . . .

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IN HOLLYWOOD

Jack Douglas topped all the gaze, effors, by having deposited in the fomes and offices of radio cets and columnists, live buby pigs, with instructions, and offices of radio cets and columnists, live buby pigs, with instructions for feeding and the apology that the couldn't send along a red apple, because they're so hard to get. That puts him one up or Abbott and Costelli, the live during pieces, and living lives of get on as many compressions, and the live during pieces, and living lives of get on as many compressions. While the live during pieces, and living lives of get on as many compressions. While the live during pieces are supported by the live during states of the live during states. And the living states are supported by the living states and living states are supported by the living states and living states. But the rainy season started, in Matrich for mother picture at Metro. Journa McKlübbeu on the fitter and now an army major, around for a few days before returning to his Cairo headquarters. Perry Charles took charge of the living states of the living states and living states are supported by the living states. And the living states are supported by the living states and living states are supported by the living states and living states and living states are supported by the living states and states and states are supported by the living states and living states are supported by the living states and living states and living states are supported by the living states and living states are supported by the living states and living states are supported by the living states and living states are supported by having his linearers phone king the
As Top Baseball Gabber in the Army.

As Top Baseball Gabber is clearly because they wanted to the Army.

Fulton Lewis Escapes Injury in Hotel Fire Injury in

 The biggest program in radio is the Make Believe Ballroom on WNEW

The pulse of New York reports that the Ballroom delivers, in New York alone, 182,035,000 quarter hour family impressions each week.

No other program—network or local enjoys so vast an audience in New York.

P. S. Martin Black has just renewed with WNEW until 1947.



FRED ALLEN
With Portland Hoffs, Alan Reed, Everett Sloane, Jack Smart, Betty
Waiker, Lauritz Metchlor, John J.
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'ABE LINCOLN'S STORY'
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Cliff Soubier, Norman Gottschalk,
Fred Howard, Marvin Mueiler,
Ilerb Butterfield, Leo Curley,
Maury Copeland
Writers: Carl Ilaverlin and H. Bed-

Follow-up Comment

ABE LINCOLN'S STORY.

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The appearance Tucsday (?) of Most Rev. Francis J. Spellman, Archishop of New York, on the Quentin Reynolds NBC 'Salute to Youth' program was an inspirational and praiseworthy bit of programming. It furnished proof, in the face of recent (Continued on page 34)

'MRS. MINIVER'
With Judith Evelyn, Karl Swenson,
Sarah Burton, Betty Jane Tyler,
Alister Kyle, Carl Eastman, Arnold
Moss

Moss Writer: Cari Blxby Director: John Dietz 30 Mins.; Fri., 11:30 p.m. WABC-CBS, New York

WABU-CBS, New York
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also selling many other products on many other stations.

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November was the month when advertisers used

remember November!

\$1,479,942 worth of Mutual time.

November was the largest month in Mutual history;

up 63% over the same month in 1942.

November helped Mutual score its best 11-month record ever, a total of \$12,238,206; up 40% over

the same stretch a year ago.

The Mutual Broadcasting System

ARG. RADIO: GOEBBELS-STYLE

Uruguay Okays Tele Transmitter

Montevideo, Dec. 8.
Increased interest in television has been noted in several parts of Latin America, with Uruguay this week granting a license for installation of the first transmitter south of the border.

Montevideo gets can fetters CX-3AG and will transmit on frequencies of 12 to 18 megacycles on the 2.50 meler wave band. Transmitter is now being constructed on a zeppelin-type

ntenna. Experimental showings have been going on for some time in B. A., and the Institute Experimental de Television recently gave public exhibitions to newsmen. B. A. operation on which a great many peess have been spent, is neburge of Eduardo E. Grinberg and has been operated simply from one studier to another with closupp of mixed and the property of the prope

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Chile Gov't Sanctions 30-Year Franchise On Radio Service to Cuba

Mashington, Dec. 14.
Chilean Government has 'just given a 30-year concession to Press Wireless Chilena, to operate an "finternational radio communication service" between Chile and Cuba. Service to U.S. and other countries by way of New York is limited to government dispatches and news

copy.
Unusual angle of the franchise is Unusual angle of the Prancinse is that Press Radio is required to install two transmitters within the first year, and a third within three years, for television service.

FOR PROPAGANOA

Montevideo, Dec. 8.
In a move which observers say is intended to further concentrate control of Argentine broadcasting in the hands of the Ramirez military adhands of the Ramirez military ad-ministration, plans are under way to switch Argentina' radiocommunica-ciones bureau from the post office to press and propaganda, it's reliably reported here. The new propaganda setup, which has wide powers to regulate activi-ties of the local radio industry, film big, newappers and magazines, and

Gets Dominion Okay

Montreal, Dec. 14.

A pension plan for Canadian Broadcasting Corp. employees and their dependents was approved by which was a second of the power and the power accorded it by the new will be based on purchase of annuis test to provide for retirement at 65 or men and 00 for women.

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SCOPE ENLARGED | CBC Draws Fire of Progressive Party for Nixing Bracken Speech

Otlawa, Dec. 14.

Sticking to policy of denying use of its facilities for airing anything of a political nature, Canadian Broader, and the statistic Corp., drew a sisting best links Mr. Bracken would say woo headquarters here for refusing to air speech of party leader John Bracken
Friday night (10).

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speech of party leader John Bracken
Friday night (1966).
Soript of proposed Bracken speech
needed substantial changes' before
it could go on the sir, said CBC of
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Liberal Government cabinet.

Before script was submitted to CBC, Brown told the corp. that 'anything Mr. Bracken would say would be political in the broadest sense of the word.'

Brown was told by Dr. Augustin Frigon, acting CBC g.m., thal strong-est objections to the Bracken talk were criticisms of the Government and of the Co-operative Comment



FCC Probers Stymied in Attempts To Prove Worthlessness of FBIS

Washington, Dec. 14 Washington, Dec. 14.

House Committee investigating
FCC butted its head against a stone
wall much of last week trying to
prove that the Foreign Broadcast
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prove that the Foreign Broadcast Intelligence Service of FCC is a worlhilos agency, worlhold agency, worlhold agency, worlhold agency, chief counsel of the committee, and Harry Barger. Its best investigation, quizzed witnesses and generally drew a blank. Alleging of the property of the committee, and Harry Barger is the investigation, quizzed witnesses, and generally drew a blank. Alleging of the Eugene E. Cox, have considerably toned down their pregime of Rep. Eugene E. Cox, have considerably toned down the standing of witnesses. They are still handling of witnesses. They are still handling of whether the witness was Matthew Gordon, head of the Poreign OWI; and (2) that Gordon's unit of the world was questioned to the world of the property of the standing them heve gentlement of the world. The standing them here the standing them has been dependent on the standing them have been standing them have been dependent on the standing them have

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Dick Marvin, until a year ago adio director at William Esty, has acceeded Blayne Butcher, resigned, the radio department of the Ward aucceeded Blayne in the radio depar Wheelock agency.

Det. Station Restrained On Bible Program Nix

Detroit, Dec 14.

An injunction restraining the Booth Broadcasting Co. operators of station WJLK here. From discontinuing a series of Bible study broadcasts spousored by the Ferndalic Church of Christ was signed last Church of Christ was signed last Callendar result Judge Sherman D. Callendar Christ Mass agned last Callendar Christ Mass and Christ Mass and Christ Mass and Christ Mass

In his petition for an order against the station, the Rev. I. C. Wilcox, pastor of the church, said that a contract for a year's broadcasts had been entered into in May, 1943, and had been canceled by the station Nov. 22

Steve Ellis Looks Set For Gillette As Dunphy Gabber Replacement

Cabber Replacement
Steve Bills, sertwhile 'boy fight
manager' of Paterson, N. J. and
more Iccently sports amouncer of
WPAT there, survived the boxing
broadcaster's (it ination tournament at St. Nick's arena, N. Y., last
main bout assimment Monday night
(13) over WIN.

The St. Nick's fight broadcasts are
sponsored by Gillette and agencied
by Misson. Don Dunphy who teams
with Bill Corum for the Madsson
atthooks, worked color and between
rounds interims with Ellis on Monday night's broadcast.

rounds interims with Eltis on Mon-day night's broadcast.
Although no definite decision has been reached by Gillette the for-mer WPAT gabber seems set for the St. Nick's spot on the basis of his transcribed efforts a week ago and his handling of this week's assign-ment.

Buys Knoxville Stations

Duys Anoxylle Valons

J. Lindsay Nunn, newspaper, publisher and owner of WLAP, Lexington, and Texas stations, has purchased WBIR, Knoxylle, Penn. Station is third and most recent station
in the Tennessee city, and open on
Purchase was made from the
founder and owner, J. W. Birdwell.
Price was said to be \$135,000.



Thank you, Grover Whalen...

and the New York CDVO for awarding WMCA and Lillan Okun's "Civilian Defense News" program your coveted Certificate of Merit. *

Thanks, too, for this opportunity to serve your vital cause—and to prove once more that the New York audience of responsive action keeps tuned to First on New York's Dial-WMCA!

WMCa AMERICA'S LEADING INDEPENDENT STATION

'Highest civilian defense award for "patriotically as generously promoting participation in all phases Home Front activity."

OWI to DX Larry Smith's Commentary to Japs

San Francisco, Dec. 14.
Far Eastern war commentaries of
Larry Smith, former Tokyo bureau
manager of International News Serv-

manager of International News Service, which are a Monday through Friday feature of NBC from Sai Francisco, is to be sent to Japan via Armatica, and the service, and acrivice, and acrivice, and acrivice, and the service of the fighting men in the southwest perific, but because he user, many names of prominent Japanese in his broadcaste, tils to be used as a real situation in the Pacific battle areas:

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An organ and choir background of the hymn. Faith of Our Fathers, accompanied the reading of the eyed and at its conclusion, after a moment of silence. Nadine Connor sang 'Ave Maria' to close out the interlude im-pressively.

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The First Piano Quartet broadcast a half-hour recital Saturday after a half-hour recital saturday and saturday after a half-hour hour saturday after a half-hour half-

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Wm. Quarton Named To WMT G.M. Berth Des Moines, Dec. 14.

William B. Quarton, of Cedar Rapids, has been named general manager of WMT, it has been announced by Gardner Cowles. Jr. president of lowa Broadcasting Co. He succeeds Sumner D. Quatron, re-

New appointee has been commer-cial manager of WMT for 10 years. He's chairman of the code committee of the National Assn. of read-casters.

From the Production Centres

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HANG CREPE ON BANKHEAD BILL

Washington, Doe. 14.
House Ways and Mean's Committee
last week 'killed the Bankhead bill
which would have provided a \$15,000,000 subsidy for small newspapers
in the form of Treasury Dept. bond
advertising, with no provision for
radio. Measure had passed the

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Nelson Sisters, former WLS hill-billy threesome, have joined WHBQ, Memphis

McMichael, Formerly Of 'Merry Macs' Team, Now KFRC Acct. Exec

San Francisco, Dec. 14.

Jack McMichaet, one-time member
of 'Merry Macs.' has joined KFRC,
Don Lee station, as account execu-

tive.

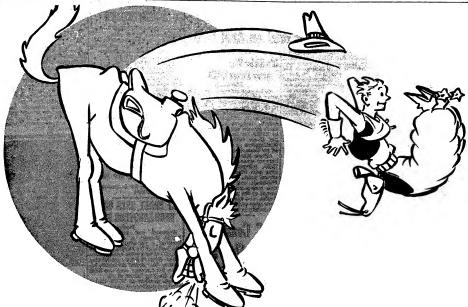
Ray Bludes, former sales manager of Blue's KGO, has also taken a desk at KFRC as account exce. Rhodes entered radio field 12 years ago as member of KFO-NBC staff, later shifting to KGO-Blue, and became sales manager in 1941.

Fel Stanton, formerly of KFBK.

Ed Stanton, formerly of KFBK Sacramento; KXH, Portland, and

Ed Stanton, formerly of KFBK, Searamento; KXH, Portland, and other northern stations, has joined the KFRC amouncing staff.
Harry Bechtel; radio vet and chief announcer with KYA in the lush days of the American Broadcasting days of the American Broadcasting the state of the control of the co





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*(And Radio Stations, Too)



Toll Enough, So she won't drag your feet!
The Texas Rangers transcribed library of
western entertainment is riding to new
heights with a selected list of blue book
nationally known advertisers—on America's prestige radio stations.



Plump Enough, 50 she's sure riding from mane to tail! The Texas Rangers music with mass appeal has been solid comfort to advertisers large and small—dealing in bread to hair tonic—from Maine to Honolulu.



Fast Enough, So she's a winner in every race! The Texas Rangers with its flexible program building is receiving testimonials daily from those in the saddle—dealing in beer to cold tablets—from Minnesora to Louisiana.



Gentle Enough, So she's easy on the pocketbook! The Texas Rangers with its Hollywood and network radio talent has a reasonable feed bill, whether it's for fashionable stables in New York or for a little gray barn in the West!



Yet, Spirited Enough, So she's worth the owning! The Texas Rangers is one transcribed library that hasn't been ridden by every Tom, Dick and Harry. If you're one to treat her right, we'll be glad to give you a breeze about the paddock in the form of a sample program. You won't have to buy her, of course.

THE TOTAL RONZIBRARY

An Arthur B. Church Production — Write George Halley, Pickwick Hotel, Kansas City, Missouri

He's right at home on the DAIRY



Dairying is the major agricultural activity in Minne-sota, the nation's fifth richest agricultural state. And a great share of Minnesota's most progressive and prosperous dairy farmers are members of Land O' Lakes Creameries-the great producers' co-op whose name and products are familiar throughout the country.

As one phase of an effective, comprehensive promotion campaign in rural Minnesota, KSTP has been telling these farmers the story of its fine programming in full-page ads published in every issue of the "Land-O'-Lakes News." For nearly two years now, KSTP's story has been reaching some 65,000 of the state's prosperous farm-homes through this wellread, official organ of the co-op.

Dollar-wise, KSTP is a good buy for its effective coverage of the Twin City Market alone. Now, there is this important plus-a steadily growing rural audience with big money to spend. Special programming and aggressive promotion are constantly adding to this large rural plus. Along with the pages in "Land O'-Lakes News," the continuing promotional campaign includes:

- 1. Forceful ads in "The Fermer," reaching 147,000 Minnesota ferm homes.
- 2. Listener-stimulating ads in
- 3. Personal appearances of KSTP's Barn Dance group in Minnesota towns.
- "On the Minnesota Parm Front," newsy column by KSTP's Farm Service Director, Harry Aspleaf, appearing weekly in 81 newspapers.
- 5. "Around Radio Row,"
 news-and-gossip column
 carried weekly by 70
 country papers.

Your advertising doll will do More in '44 on KSTPI



Exclusive NBC Affiliate for Represented nationally by Edward Petry and Compa

No Decision for At Least Month As WLB Studies Brief on AFM Strike

A 71-page brief requesting the three-man War Labor Board panel which heard the Pertilladies companies' disjunct, to recommend that a companies' disjunct, to recommend that are a Pederation of Musicians to end its strike against the companies, was felde with the panel Thursday (3). If was skined by Robort P. Myers, RcA-Victor and ME (Recording Discount of the panel Thursday (3), the panel

The AFM brief was filed Nov. 29, and the union will answer the com-panies' brief Monday (20). It will be at least a month before the panel e its recommendations

Censor Codes **Eased By Price**

sing up of the press and dio voluntary censorship codes was announced last riday by yron Price director of the Office of Cencorchin rice also released a third printed revision of the codes, the first compilation of changes since last February.

In the section of the radio code levoted to 'new, broadcasts and com devoted to new. broadcasts and com-munataries section on wealther has been, changed, and the restrictions are now: Weather forecasts britten than those difficially released by the Weather urcan. Mention of wind direction or barometric pressure in current or past weather tincluding urrent or past weather tincluding when contained in emergency warn-ings released socifically for broad-cast by Weather Bureau Authorities. "Social events reporters: covering

Special events reporters, covering sports or other outdoor assignments (thres, floods, storms, etc.) are cautioned especially against mention of wind direction. This section considerably cases up on the former restrictions.

erably cases up on the former restrictions.

Section I. I. retains of a rimed section in the United State, has been manufaled so that broadcasters may now mention names, addresses, location and general chiracter of service men on duty on anti-aircraft, castal, or invasion defenses or at embarka-previously forbidden. Also eliminated is the section which forbide mention of air raids inside continuated in the section which forbide mention of air raids inside continuated in the section which forbide mention of air raids inside continuated by stations' outside the zone of actions of the section which forbide mention. Now liberalized, the aubstragton. Now liberalized, the aubstragton. Now liberalized, the aubstragton is mention of any raid in the continental United States during its course, except, on appropriate authe continental United States during its course, except on appropriate authority of the designated representatives of the Defense Commander in whose area the raid occurs, or the War Dept. in Washington.

Dropped from the present code is a section which formerly prohibited mention of the location of civilian defense communication control cen-

There are several changes in the There are several changes in the section relating to information about war production. The paragraph de-voted to Lend-tyase has been dropped, as has the section dealing with arrangements of war plants, employment figures, and capacity of

Two important changes have been made in the section referring to foreign language broadcasts by donestic stations. It is no longer necessary for the stations to obtain advance English language translations of foreign language scripts. Instead, the following paragraph has been added: following paragraph has been added:

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It's Kirby Vice Aston As Army Solves KDKA Com'l

Pittsburgh, Dec. 14.

It's the same old story, one in the Army and one out, with the latter taking over the former's job. John Kirby, Playhouse actor and singer with local Gilbert and Sullivan rep-

with logal Gilbert and Sullivan rep-ertory, outlit, recently received a medical, discharge ufter nearly a year's service, and has been signed by KDKA for Buzz Aston's Break-fast Cheer coffee commercial on Westinghouse station. Aston shoved off, for Unele Sam last week.

of for Uncle South the received and the Aslon's other conserved for a brevery concern, has gone to This Wolfe, rolly-poly comic who has been with Blue Barren band for several years. Wolfe's home is in Pittsburgh, and he expects to remain here permanently. He's being many the properties of the proper

NBC Coast Net Sets Shows On Bill of Rights

Cooperating with a coastwide pro gram of observance of Bill of Rights Week, the Western network of NBC in conjunction with the Hearst newsin conjunction with the Hearst news-papers, is devoting-this week to a scries of programs stressing Ameri-can freedoms. The program will be highlighted by comparative analyses by two of NBC's top west coast commentators. Louis Lochner, former AP correspondent in Berlin, and Land Smith, former 1NS manager

at Tokyo

at Tokyo.

Lochner will compare the rights of
the Germans with those of the
Americans, and Smith will compare
Japaners. "freedoms" with those of
American, citizens. The broadcast
limes are the same as the commentator' regular daily broadcasts. Smith
at 915 a.m. and Lochner at 545 p.m.
Both broadcasts are scheduled for
The Keys to Preedom, dramatiration by sudemics of the Genree Washton by sudemics of the Genree Washton by sudemics of the Genree Wash-

The Keys to Freedom, dramatiza-tion by students of the George Wash-ington High School, Prisco, was aired sunday morning (12) on time do-nated by W. & J. Slown Co. "Stand-ard Hour and the Dr. Kate porgram and California" governor. Earl Warren, broadcast Monday (13) afternoon. On Saturday, (18) Wil-liam Randolph Horst, Jr. will speak from New York following a drama-tization of the trial of Peter Zenger.

'OPEN HOUSE' PROGRAM TAKES NEW FORMAT

Cleveland, Dec. 14. WGAR's 'Open House,' program has undergone a complete change with everything eliminated but mu-

employment figures, and capacity of plants.

One of the two paragraphs relating to unconfirmed reports; rumors been dropped. The other paragraph, to unconfirmed reports; rumors from the confirmed reports; rumors from the first point of the confirmed reports; rumors from the first point of the confirmed reports; rumors from the first point of t

D. C. Announcers Into Army

Washington, Dec. 14. Two WMAL announcers here have been inducted in the armed forces. Ray Michael is in the Army and John Bradford has gone into the N:

POOR PENELOPE

By ALAN LIPSCOTT Poor Penclope of the radio, Heroine of the morning show

Heroine of the morning show. Mon, to Fri, for weeks and weeks, Tears roll down her rosy cheeks. Always true, always good, Always so misunderstood. Always seet and so refined, She's the ever-loving kind. She toves snow, she loves sleet. She loves git is hine, she loves keel to the she was the loves and so regulated to the she was the loves git in shine, she loves he loves the loves git in shine, she loves the loves we have the loves the loves git in shine, she loves the lovest the loves the lovest the lovest the lovest the lovest the lovest the lovest

showers.

She loves birds, she loves flowers.

She loves dogs, she loves cals, She loves dogs, she loves cals, She loves orphans, she loves prats, She loves clephants, she loves fleas, She loves trees and cheese and bees. She loves opera, she loves swing. She loves every goddam thing. But she's doublecrossed by fate, When she loves her fickle mate. Love that makes her whereast Love that makes her go berserk, When the mate turns out a jerk.

Always a mother, but never a wife, Penclope, what a life. Will Penelope line or die? For the decision,

Be sure to tune her in tomorrow—on television.

FLY SPRAY SETS OFF WHIO SABOTEUR SCARE

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troe jaintor of the Dayton, Ohio, station picked up a bottle of oil to blean
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are conditioning outlet and activities on the air negitanted in his temporary office-studio for—several
bours.

FCC Sez OK to Station Tag Honoring 'Bill' Cody

Omaha, Dec 14.

The Federal Communications
Commission has gone sentimental.
It okayed a WOW. Omaha, request
to change the call letters of its new
nequisition. KGNF, North Platte,
Neb. to KGNP because the alation's
transmitter is located on the site of
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WOW bought the station from the Great Plains roadcasting Co. operated by Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Le Barron tast months. KODY reopened Saturday (II) as an NBC affiliate, and is now broadcasting 18 hours a day. 7 days a week on 1240 kc. It covers western Nebraska.

Ham Dalton Again Airing In Philly As WIBG Staffer

Philadelphia, Dec. 14. Hamilton (Ham) Dallon, once the voice of City Council. has returned

voice of Gity Council's has returned to the air after a long absence. He's a new addition to staff of WIBG. The staff of t

Lynchburg. - . . Alton Hampton, nief announcer at Roanoke's WSLS (Tri-Cities web) for 18 months, to join WMAL staff. Washington.

Sun Ship Adds Fourth Philly Air Show in Bid To Recruit Workers

Philadelphia, Dec. 14. The Sun Shipbuilding Co. Chester, has added a fourth radio show in its drive to recruit workers.

in its drive to recruit workers.
Latest broadcass is a five-minute transcription dramatic series on WFIL auent was heroes, battles, incidents, and the like of the current conditions of the current of t



"Results Keen **Fulton Market** Using KSO"

In New York, you'd think of Park & Tilford . . . in Chicago, of Ston & Shop . . . in Baltimore, of Hopper McGaw . . .

And in Central lows, to find out-standing fond items, you'd think of the Fulton Market, Des Moines. On the Fulton Market's experi-ence with broadcasting, comes this report from the general man-ager, Roy Huntoon, Jr.:

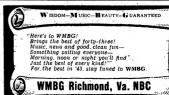
"We began using radio as an ex-periment. Through a combination of judgment and luck, we chose KSO, in a broadcast featuring their home economist. Helen Watts Schreiber.

"This program has been highly successful because of its sincere nature and because Mrs. Schreiber nature and because Mrs. Schreiber deals particularly in foods. Com-mercial messages, as she gives then, are so naturally worked into the conversation that their effectiveness is increased.

'Our original three-a-week sched-"Our original three-a-week schedule has become six-a-week our test period of three months has stretched into three years all for one reason—Results."



Affiliated with Des Meines Register & Tribune Represented by The Katz Agency



Ray Jones, Out of Army Returning to Chi AFRA

Chicago, Dec. 14. Ray Jones, former exec secretary of the American Federation of Radio Artists, who was given a medical during the control of th

until his return.

Hy Faine, acting secretary of the
union, will be inducted into the
Army Dec. 20. Faine had been a
field representative of the union
prior to his taking over as acting

KTHS Wants to Move

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Owners of KTHS, Hot Springs, how filed petition with the FCC for transfer of the station. New location was not indicated in the petition. KTHS formerly was the property of the Hot Springs Chamber of Commerce and, when the FCC ordered such was the FCC ordered and, when the FCC ordered such was the FCC ordered to the Hot Springs of the Hot Springs of the FCC ordered such was the FCC ordered to the Hot Springs of the Hot

Is a 250-wait station and operates on a frequency of 1340 and is a part of the Mutual Network. KTHS is on is a 250-walt station and operates on a frequency of 1340 and is a part of the Mutual Network. KTHS is on the NBC Blue. Reports here are that at least one Little Rock station will oppose any effort to remove KTHS to this city.

Argentine Radio

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Lt. Col. Annibal Francisco Imbert. Many in the trade have felt that Farias, although supposedly a subor-dinate, has actually held more power than his boss; and broadcasters, un-ider fire of å steady stream of new rules and regulations from both, haven't been certain which way to

turn.
The new Press and Propaganda Dept. is ordered by presidential de cree to 'take necessary steps to see to it that the press, broadcasting stato it that the press, broadcasting sta-tions, social and political literature, music, theatres and in general all poblic performances unfold their ac-tivities in accordance with the inten-tions inaugurated by the govern-ment.

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Department is also (a) to centrallze and coordinate official information and the emission of news for
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There's a boom back

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COVER THESE NEW MARKETS WITH RADIO



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MBS: 'Unity Show
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Christmas the Mutual web will air a 73-minute Unity in the Year of Victory' show Saturday (25) at 9 am. presentills a rounding from will be a religious memorial service originating at Mashington's Walter Reed hospital: Early Xmas morning, starting at madnight, Motizal-midnight mass from St. Patrick's Cathedral, N. Special shows include a broadcast from Cambridge Unitarious and the Eighth Air Force pand will take part; the Paulist boy choir from N. Y. and a Santa for Servicempel program from a Attle-Xmas Mottal feature will be three Xmas Mottal feature will be Xmas Mottal feature will be three Xmas Mottal feature will be three Xmas Mottal feature will

brondcusts at 6:15 p.m., Mon., Wed. und Fri., from Honolulu in which ranking officers of the Army, Nava and Marineous present the Month of the Army, Nava will be the usual Saturday Met opera airing, although efforts are reported being made to obtain this time for a sponsored Xmas feature with a servicemen's angle.

NAB Requests Filing Of Station Payroll, Job Data

Washington, Dec. 14.

NAB has called on all broadcast tations to file with FCC the pay roll and employment data requested by the Commission two months ago. Over 100 stations have not yet com-

plied.

'This data, when compiled,' said

NAB, 'can be of invaluable help to
all stations in labor negotiations,
War Labor Board proceedings, and in many other ways. For their own benefit, all stations should act promptly on the Commission's re-quest.

More WJW Guesters From Rival Stations

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KIRO, Seattle, Expands

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SEATIS, Dec. 14.

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WFIL'S GI GIMMICK

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Philadelphia, Dec. 14.

WFIL has added a romanic gimmick to its show, GI Sweetheart.

At each broadcast songstress Holeh
Park Invites a serviceman to the
Park Invites a serviceman to the
The guy then receives an engraved
silver identification bracelet as the
gift of the sponsor, Lichtey's Jewelry
Stores.

Radio Correspondents In D. C. Barbour Tribute

Washington, Dec. 14. Washington, Dec. 14.
D. C. Radio Correspondents Ass'n paid tribute last week to the late Senator W. Warren Barbour, New Jersey Republican. Letter from the Ass'n, pointing out that Barbour was one of those responsible for creation of the special Radio Gallery in the Scnate, was read on the floor.

Letter was signed by Earl Godwin, president of the Ass'n, and Richard L. Harkness (NBC), secretary,

CALLAHAN, ILL, QUITS WAR FINANCE POST

Washington, 14, F. Callahan resigned las

Vincent F. Callahan resigned last Friday 10) as Director of Advertising, Press and Radio, for the War Finance Division of the Treasury not be replaced for the coning Fourth War Bond drive, and the work will be divided among others now in the division.

The former radio executing and on the coning
business.
Callahan joined the Treasury in 1941, in charge of radio for the defense savings staff. Subsequently he was also given charge of oress and advertising promotion for the cam-

Canada Enlists Radio, Film Aid In Drive to Curb Social Diseases

WHIO's Fox Hunt

It will be Tally-Ho, or the American midwest equivalent, via WHIO, Dayton, New Year's Day. The station is promoting a fox hunt, sans dogs and guns, in Montgomery County, Ohio, Arrangements have been made with the game warden and local war bond auctioneers, the latter oxedile the fox pelts to the to peddle the fox pelts to the

Mull Redistribution Of **Electronics Equipment** Washington, Dec. 14.

Washington, Dec. 14.
Formation of a special task group to make recommendations for redistribution of excess stocks of electronics equipment no longer needed by the military was called for Monday (13) by a special committee of industrial instruments manufacturer.

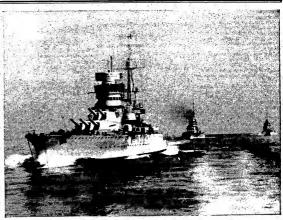
Size of the stockpile is not known, out it is believed to be fairly sub-stantial, in view of the suggestion

Radio and films are due for major promotion roles in a sweeping Government sponsored anti-venereal disease program due for tee-off early in 1944 Health officials from all over Canada are mulling plans in fourday conference here now for biggest drive of its kind ever held in thi country.

Definite plans still unsettled but it's expected the Associated Screen News will make two or more special shorts for armed services screening and brasshats are mulling advisability of release, to be made by Na-tional Film Board if okayed, for pub-lic distribution in commercial houses, Radio's part still undecided but the Canadian Broadcasting Corp. has of-

fered to go all out for campaign, fered to go all out for campaign. Already mention has been made on several CBC regular shows such as weekly 'News Roundup' and sched-uled talks over national net by Lieut, Col. D. H. Williams, VD chief of Na-

Col. D. H. Williams, VD chief of Na-tional Health Dept.
Government will also use news-pupers, magazines, pamphlets, pos-ters and public speaking to plug dan-zers of VD and how it can be beaten.



Surrendered...to an old radio transmitter

Italy was tottering . . . collapse of Mussolini's regime seemed imminent. But what of the Italian fleet at sea? Could something be done to bring it into an Allied harbor?

Naval commanders of the Allied forces hoped so turned to R. Morris Pierce, chief engineer of WGAR, on leave to the OWI and stationed in the Mediterranean area. "Could terms of surrender be broadcast so all the Italian fleet would hear?" they asked.

There could be no guarantee the Italians would hear such broadcasts, Pierce advised, unless . . unless terms might be flashed on the international distress frequency to which all ships constantly

No suitable transmitter was available, but Pierce volunteered to retune an old one to a frequency on which it had never been designed to operate . a difficult task, even under the most favorable conditions. A few hours later, the terms of surrender were on the air!

The rest of the story is history. And, as Admiral Sir Andrew Browne Cunningham of the British navy watched the Italian fleet peacefully steam into Malta harbor, he paid tribute to Americans and to American Radio. "They've accomplished in one day," he said, "what I've been trying to do for three years.

We of WGAR are proud that our fellow worker played such an important role in the surrender of the Italian fleet. We are proud, too, of our other men and women in the service of our engineers who are working as instructors and technicians, our writers, announcers, production men, stenographers and salesmen who serve Uncle Sam . . . for these are the kind of folks who will help Radio play its part in winning the peace as it now is helping to win the war.



res. . . John F. Patt, Vice Pres. & Gen. Mgs.

Miner (CBS) Cautions on False Tele Hopes: Paul Knight More Enthused

Contrasting pictures of the immediete post-war future of commercial tele were painted for members of the American Television Society Thursday night (9) at a forum meeting in the Capitol hotel. Y. Paul Knight, program manager for Philco's WPTZ, Philadelphia, provided the WPTZ, Philadelphia, provided the optimistic note, while a little coldwaler was tossed in the direction of superenthusiusts by C. Wortington Miner, CBS tele program manager. The latter stuck to a middle-of-the-

Autori, CBS tele program manager. The latter stude to a middle of-the-road, conservative path in administrative path in a conservation of a conservation path in a conservation of a conservation

provements in current equipment fore restrictions were lifted and entire new field of progress



dgt.: LOU CLAYTON

programming strides made in Philly, visions of a glorious future for tele-were heing wafted as an undercur-rent throughout his talk. Hammer-ing home the point that tele must develop its own presentation melh-

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worked out for bringing commercials and station bricks, to the secred during running descriptions of games. Wireless relays of WNBT programs to Philly over an 82 airline-miles jump were most satisfactory, according to the Philips exec. although leading to the distinct was should be also be also because of the distinct was should be program of the programs of the p

hop from a receiving and retransmitting standpoint.

Ralph Austrian, who has been doing tele research for RKO, reported to the meeting on recent conferences with telephone company officials who, he said, were prepared to install coaxial cables for use in television retworks as soon as possible lefton the ways.

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Ford will buy a halt-hour weeply program. Motors has been represented principally 'Urrough its sponsorship of the NBC Symphony Orchestra Sunday -afternoons on CBS, for which it spends \$900,000 a year. It's total airshow budget for '30 of approximately' 31,0000 will be exceeded next year, though exact figures are not set as yet.

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Philadelphia, Dec. 14.
hoda Otis, formerly publicity director of WCOA, Pensacola, Fla., has taken a similar post with WPEN

Mrs. Grace McMullen, formerly, of CAU, has joined the KYW pro-

WCAU, ha



Reunion in Cincy

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PHILLY RECORD ASKS TRANSFER OF WHAT

Washington, Dec. 14.
Application for transfer of title of Application for transfer of title of WHAT: Philadelphia, to William, Banks, Philly radio salesman, was filed last week with the Federal Communications Commission by the Philadelphia Record Company. WHAT: a 100-watter running part-

WHAT, a 100-watter running part-time, was sold to Banks at an un-disclosed figure by the Record, which had acquired the station in 1910. Banks has been employed by WIP as a salesman for the past 14 years. Name of the corporation operating WHAT is Independence Broadcasting Co.

Ray Sullivan Heads R.&R. Agcy. Plan Bd.

Raymond F. Sullivan, vice-president, and a director of Ruthrauff & Ryan, has been elected chairman of the agency's Plan Board, President Frederick B. Ryan aunounced this

week.
Sullivan, who has been with R&R since 1920, will continue his duties as account supervisor.

San Antonio Dailies

Sponsor KABC News John W. Scott, ace KABC news chief, has been signed for a series of quarter-hour newscasts, Monday through Saturday, by the San An-tonio Express and San Antonio Express new Meeting Meeting Meeting Meeting Meeting

ing News.
Papers are also sponsoring the
John B. Kennedy-narrated War Correspondent for a quarter hour each week WOAL

'Ghost Town'

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Chicago.
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1.000 Tele Stations: Hanson

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action in setting up new standards and wave bands. Technical Standards

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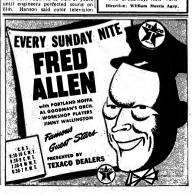
basis of occupation or business in the grant of licenses for broadcasting

9 Adout the recommendation 9. Adopt the recommendation of the Federal Communications Bar Ass'n and the National Ass'n of Broadcasters for revision of the pro-cedural sections of the law.

ALL CIRL ORCHESTRA

Now Working in Their First Paramount Picture

Personal Management 1440 Broadway, New York



Would Proceed Without Color

Provide More Canadian **Outlets for Blue: CJBC** Names Caldwell Mgr

Tronto, Dec. 14.

S. W. (Spence) Caldwell, Vancouver, has been named manager of CJBC, Toronto, key station of the Canadian Broadcasting Corp's new Dominion network, and will also bring the latter chain along to development.

New setup, getting under way Jan will see the Federal Government 1, will see the Federal Government, chain comprising two networks—Trans-Canada, made up of existing fovernment stations, and Dominion, which lines up some 60 independent stations which under Cotyper stations which under Cotyper stations which under Cotyper stations which under Cotyper stations with the control to the control to the control to the country of the co

Cue 'Lonely Women' Title Switch for Post-War

Switch for ToSt-Wat
Chiege, Dec. 14
Lonely Women, Iran Philips day
time serial, aired over NEG five
times a week, has been changed to
Today's Children' effective Dec. 13.
Change was decided upon by Crit
Wester, producin, effective Dec. 13.
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Wester, produce and Women' label,
while okay for war time, would not
be appropriate in the post-war era.
Today's Children' was the name
of a Philips serial aired six years
azo. Format of the "Women' program will include the produce of the content of the "Women' proman and a half, is aired 1:13-130 (CWT).

IBEW Pact Contract For WCCO Announcers

Minneapolis, Dec. 14.
Agreement between the IBEW (International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers) and WCCO, covering the station's announcing staff, has been

signed. Discussions had been going on for nearly a year. Clauses pertaining to grievances and arbitration held up the signing.

Slavick on NBC Bd.

Memphis, Dec. 14.
Henry W. Slavick, general man-ger of WMC, has been elected a nember of the NBC Planning and Advisory Committee to represent the

Advisory Committee to represent the states of Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisiana, Georgia and Florida. Stavick replaces Harry Stone GWSM, Nashville. Members St. Gatalons in the various territories they are to serve. The committee are committee are service, both from a listener and advertiser standpoint, and also conserved to the committee meets regularly and advertiser standpoint, and also conference on the committee of the comm

BMI Signs KFWB

DIVII DIGHS AT WB
Hollywood, Dec. 14.
Longtime holdout, KFWB finally
signed with Broadcast Music for performing rights to its catalog.
Harry Maizlish aceled for the station owner, Warners, which owns
four publishing companies, all affiliated with ASCAP.

Coast 'Dough' Show Moves

"Spell for Dough," the Remar Baking Co.'s program, formerly aired
over KGO, Blue station, has been
moved over the KFRG, Don LeeMutual, Henry Grant is master of
cerempnies and Bob Bence, announcer.

The show originates in the Green toom of the Lake Merrit hotel, Oak-and, 7:30 to 8 o'clock Thursday evenings.

Radio Producers. Agencies, Networks:

iter with many air-credits smash 1/2-hour comedy show yrighted. Something new in has smann /2-nour consequence copyrighted. Something new in radio. Opportunity to package for aubmission to agencies and sponsors. You produce it. 1 write it. 50-50 basis.

Box 1316, Variety, 164 W. 46th St. New York 19, N. Y.

Canadian Silk, WB Pact To Jingle Stars, Pix

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14 WB names and 10 pictures.

CBC Mulls Doubling Up On G.M., Bd. Chairman Montreal, Dec.

Delay in the appointment of a suc cessor to Dr. James S. Thompson as general manager of the Canadlan general manager of the Canadian Broadcasting Corp. unofficially stated to be due to consideration by governors of the organization for a full-time chairman of the board. Persent incumbent, Rene Morin, devotes only part of his time to these duties at a stipend of \$1,500 a year.

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Charter Radar Corp.

Zenith Radionies Corp. of New York has been chartered to conduct experimental work in electronies, radionies, rådar, etc. Offices are in N. Y. Capital stock is \$25,000,5100 par value. Directors

Offices are in N. Y. Capital stock is \$25,000, \$100 par value. Directors are E. F. Butshorn, G. Mather Clark and Kendell Williams, 120 Broadway. E. F. McDonald, Jr., Hugh Robertson, Chicugo, and Harry J. Wines, N. Y., are also listed.

DOMINION FINANCING 6-WAY CAN. DX SETUP

Montreal, Dec. 14.
Shortwave radio station designed to broadcast in six directions at anone, with the most elaborate unit directed to Great Britain and Europe, is now being built at Sackville, New Brunswick, with the financial halp of the Dominion Government, Dr. Augustin Frigon, acting gm. Caterial Company of the Compa Montreal, Dec. 14.

Assin at the 18th annual dinner here last week.

Dr. Frigon added that 'Canada will have a voice in international arrangements with foreign countries shortwave broadcasting... and to have our programs rebroadcast locally and included in regular schedules of all important net-

MBS Execs in Huddle On New Rate Setup

Chicago, Dec. 14. Three-day session of the Mutua Broadcasting System brass hats held here recently to discuss new programs was actually given over al-most entirely to a discussion of the proposed new rate structure of the network.

network.

Programming was the order of the day on Monday, the first day of the meeting, with Tuesday and Wednesday devoted to confabs on rates by the members of the executive committee of the network.

Stephen Chase is giving up his role as Tom Hawkins in the NBC daytime, 'A Woman of America' program to join a USO repertory company, which will present a series of popular Broadway plays to overseas servicemen.

Payroll Traffic

St. Louis.—Newest gabbing addition to KMOX staff is Ron Rawson, formerly with KSCJ, KSOO, KSD and KXOK, Bernie Fox, assistant office manager at KMOX, has donned

khaki, Jack Norwine, formerly of KARK, now spicling at KMOX,

San Autonio—Two femmes re-place army-bound Ransey Yelving-ton of KTSA continuity staff. New-comers are Nita Oneda Caster, new to ra io, and Ardyce Pfansteil, mov-ing over to KABC here. Latter re-placed at KABC by Jenella Kirk-land.

Salt Lake City.—Elizabeth Carter makes her start in radio as con-tinuity writer and receptionist for KUTA.

KUTA.

New announcers for KDYL are
Ken Hegard, from WRIN, Racine,
Wis; Kay Richins, from KUTA, and
Will Wright, formerly of KTF, Pocatello, Ida. Dorothy Wagstaff, formerly publicits with the Paris Company, local dept. store, joins KSL
continuity.

pany, local dept. store, Johns KSL continuity.

John Powell, control operator at KSL, has been recruited into the Marine Corps by Sgt. Gene Halliday, former KSL organist; announcer Joseph Kjar to the navy. Ivor Sharp, director of station operations, an-nounces Edward J. Broman as new sales manager, in charge of both local and national; Ralph W. Hardy.

program director; Barratt Chadwick, continuity editor and feature script writer.

Jim McBride, staff announcer, to the army, replaced at KUTA by Horman Wilson from KFSB, San Diego.

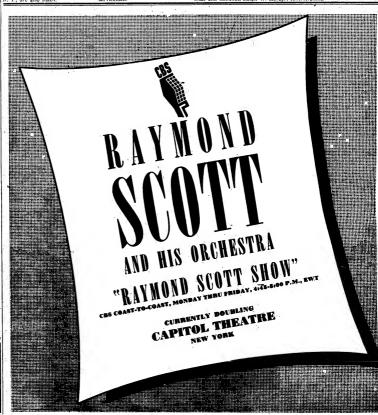
Cleveland — Duke Lidyard, WHK announcer for 11 years, resigned to join staff of Mark Felber in publica-tions dept. of Goodyear Rubber in Akron. Maurice J. Condon, back with honorable discharge from army, named assistant sales manager charge of local sales at WGAR.

Pitisburgh—Scott Keck and Fred Rawlings, both formerly with the Blue network in N. Y., have joined the announcers' staff at WCAE. An-other recent addition to the corps of

to the recent addition to the copole spicers at local Heart station is Sam Segue.

Claude Morris, production man at KDKA. is leaving around the end partment of the Walker-Downing agency. His successor, haan't been amend yet.—Pattl Obzina, now to radio, has joined the staff of WMPS in the promotion and program dept. Formerly with Evergreen Theatree Corp. in Scattle, she is in Memphis with the Naval Air Station.

Washington—WRC, suffering from the universal squeeze on manpower, has signed the first woman engincer to go into a major station here. She is Ermadean Metz, who will do stu-dio work only at WRC. She comes from Indianapolis, where she had nine months' experience at master control desks



Maestro 'Bobby' Norris Sues Daily For \$50,000 Over Draft-Nab Story

Testimony in a \$50,000 libel suit by Abraham R. Goldman, of Baltimore, known in New England dance band circles as 'Rolling' Norris. ninst the Daily News for publishing a slory concerning his arrest the night of Aug. 21, 1942, for alleged violation of the Selective Service Act, opened

before Judge Francis W. J. Ford in U. S. dissiret court leady 1443. Goldman said the came here from Brocks in May; 1942, to lead his orth at the Wayarde food shop, and the Wayarde food shop, the said t

Lyman's New Switch On Overseas Touring: Leaves After Essex, N.Y.

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HARRY JAMES DUE FOR ARMY TEST TODAY (15) Harry James is scheduled to take

an induction physical in Hollywood today (Wednes unless last minute pilches by Metro for another minute pitches by Metro for another deforment for the arc inported Leader was to have gone through the test some time ago, but deforment requests by the film outfit, for whom he's completing a third film since last summer, delayed it. James' draft board is in Beaumont, Tex. his home town, but the physical has been transferred to the Coast.

Ina Hutton Opening **New Hub Band Spot**

New name band sland will open in Boston Jan. 15. with Ina Ray Hut-Ion's outlit set for two weeks. Called the Riocasino spol was formerly the Southland Ballroom and in ad-dition to the band will have a floor

Spot is to be operated by Ben Ford, current owner of the Tie-Toe, which uses a policy of colored bands and acts.

GI Tooters Set for 1st Town Hall, N. Y., Concert

The first in a series of Saturday afternoon cocktail hour jazz concerts at Town Hall, N. Y., Sat (18) will feature three G. . musicians. will feature three G. musicians. Maxic Kaminsky, recently returned from Pacific outposts with the Artic Shaw Navy band, is down for some trumpet work, while Mel Powell, of the Glenn Miller Army outfit, and Sergt, Joey ushkin, currently playing with Sergt. Dave Rose's "Winged Victory" orch, are skedded for plano-

As in earlier series. Eddic Condon will direct, informally. Ad agency execs Ernic Anderson and Paul Smith are underwriting the concerts in conjunction with other enthusiastic devotees.

Phil Moore's song, 'Shoo Shoo Baby,' will be used in four films now shooting.' Three Cheers for the Boys.' Universal; 'Trecadero,' Re-public; 'Meet the People,' Metro, and 'Beautiful But Broke,' Columbia.

Intermission

Washington Adolfo Giron, leader of one of he most popular dance bands Mexico Cay, halted his program

at a nitery there recently and a table at which ancee, her mother and a justice of the peace were

Few minutes later he strolled back to the band and resun

Russ Morgan Cancels **Booked Coast Date To** Stay East with Family 31 as yet, but assures bookers he with

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does on CBS with the band is more valuable on the home front.

So far the only service band to go overseas is Artie Shaw's. Navul combination, which recently returned from a tour through the South Pacific. No civilian combinations have been out of the country, though, USO-sponsored tours are being lined.

USO Hunts Skin-Beaters

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Glaser-Stein, Inc.

Albany, Dec. 14.
Associated Booking Corp. has been chartered to conduct an agency busitess in New York. Capital stock is 100 shares, no par value. Directors are Jue Glaser, attorney Bernard L.
Miller and Morton Miller, all of N. Y. This is the corporate setup of the recent 50% buy-in in a Glaser's firm by Jules ', tein, head of Music by Jules ten Corp. of America.

Hartenstein Reopening Sunnybrook, Pa., Dancery New Year's Eve with Allen

New Year's Eve with Anical Sumsybrobe Baltroom, Potisiowa. Pa. will reopen New Year's Eve with Bob Allen's orchestra and will opcore of the largest tames spots in the cust and before the war perhaps the most important one-night stand. Sumnybrook is owned and operated by Ray Hartenstein, He has no and definitely booked byyour Dec.

TOUR BAND OVERSEAS over six months, prior to that busing of a band of his own post-war. Brooks has been with Brown over six months, prior to that busing over musical boss of Bob Allen's

Fit Kid Tooter's Kisser

Detroit, Dec. 14. ear-old Detroit m of through the ty Detroit, Dec. 14, ecause a 17-year-old Detroit musician couldn't toot through the two special mouthpieces on a pair of trumpets used in Russ Morgan's band, Ralph Hayes, the orch's curnet man, last week got back \$300 worth

man, hast week-got back \$300 worth of hard-to-get horns.

The two frumpets' were stolen when Morgan was playing at the Michigan here. The 17-year-old musician, who plays with a small, fry hand here, told police a character sold them to him on the street for \$20. The kid fried for days to play with a small street for \$20. The kid fried for days to play which will be to the play to the street for \$20. The kid fried for days to play whiped me. Ye finally pumped to two cornels under his own name.

Bob Chester's orch signed by War-ers to appear in 'Hollywood Can-

BOB STRONG And His Orchestra Now at Roseland Ballroom, New York

Inside Stuff—Orchestras

After weeks of dickering to shift agency-affiliation elsewhere, lue Barron's orchestra, under Tommy Ryan, signed a new one-year contract with Music Corp of America recently. Barron, now in the Army, but in remote control of his orchestra through his sister Charises, business manager, was about to pay \$4.000 he owes MCA and sever enumericions. He resigned and still owes the eash, which represents \$5,000 MCA ndvanced to move the bond away from Consolidated Radio Artisls and \$1,000 in buck commissions

back commissions.

arron went into the Army a short lime ago, putting Tommy Ryan, singer then with Sammy Kaye, in his place. It is the first time a service-bound leader has been able to keep his band intact and working.

Cheed roadhouse owners around N. V., who formerly nied name and semi-name orchestras, claim that the only thing that is keeping the majority from repopuning is the lack of waiters and kitchen help. Several who shuttered almost a year ugo, when transportation in the east became important the property of the property o

Impressed by the business being done by Count Basic's orchestra at the Lincoln hotel, which she operates along with the nearby Edison, Mrs. Macia Kramer states she has decleded to give us her tieve of busing promising bands cheaply for the former spot and henceforth will employ only the expensive music. She's currently paying Basic \$2.400 weethy, Plus broadcast wire costs, probably the most eash she has ever spent on a band. Basic has been very successful at the Lincoln. He is said to have looped all previous cover charge totals in the room, including those set up by theiry darks and Artie Shaw.

Shep Fields will have a second opening at the Park Central hote!, N. Y., tomorrow night (Thursday). He has been out ift for the two-week interval since the band opened and his return with harsk the repeat opening. Fields has been down with virus pucuinonis. It is in of many leaders and ascents who have been out the past week, including Bruny Goodman, Tominy, Jonesy, Tominy Rockwell, of GAC: Willard-Alexander, of the Morris ageine. Bee Wain, at the Capitol thetery, N. Y., is another. She has been off the stage since last Thursday night. Sonny Skytar, WOR-Muttagl steger, the peen alsoluting.

Probably at a loss for new name-band material to market for the holiday period, RCA-Victor has reclassed two dises carrying the same trues on each side, interpreted by different blands. On one revord Glein Miller's version of Jingle Bolls' is coupled to Afvino Rey's arrangement of 'Santa Claus, Is Cohing to Town.' Second dise has Benoy Goodman doing 'Bells' and Tomny Dorsey on' anta Claus.'
Miller- or recoving is comparatively, same way thacked up last year. Co-mady years ago to the control of the product of the many thacked up last year. Co-mady years ago.

It cost Eli berstein \$380 to have a copy of Irving ertin's 'My ritish Buddy telephotoed from London to New York, so that he would have it in time for it to be arranged for an Abe Lyman recording date. Lyman made the waxing recently and Oberstein already has copies of it on the

market. Since the melody was restricted, however, until Kale Smith introduced ton her radio show about 10 days ago, neither Eyman nor any of the discockeys could air it.

With one-nighters by top name bands few and far between for any indi-vidual promoter in the east, since the beginning of the war. Fred Kirsch, operator at Turnet's Arens and Vine Arous, Washington, Iaod Inrec too Dikke Ellington, Cab Calloway (10) and Benny Goodman, Monday (13). Such a wealth of talent at one spot in less than a week is a rare occur-rence these days, even on the Coast, where one-nighters are 'far more plentful.

plentiful.

Musicians' salaries have skyrockeled since the start of the war due to
the competition among leaders for good men. A case in point of bidding
ya a touler's pay.

Ina Ray Hutton recently hired a sax player from Henry.

Sa band,
Before he started work for Miss Hutton, at \$120 weekly, he hauded in
two weeks' notice. Shep Fields had offered \$125. Few weeks later he went
back to Miss Hutton for \$150.

Jimmy Cook, vocalist, formerly with Tommy Dorsey; is still under contract to that leader though he's now singing on WAAT, Jersey City. His connection with the station is in the nature of a farm-out proposition; Dorsey thought he needed more seasoning and experience and midde a deal for him there. Cook airs flow afternoons as week 16m. Frit 430-446. Dorsey now has Teddy Walters, who was a guitar player with Gene Krup's now disbanded orchesting.

Lionel Hampton's orch, which has appeared on the last two Siniday programs of Soldiers of Production. Blue Network show sponsored by the War Manpower Commission, is first Negro band on the show. Commission plans to keep it on for several week.

Williams' Record

Chicago, Dec. 14.

New long-run record was estabished in the Empire Room of the lished in the Empire Room of the Palmer House hast week when Criff Williams' orch chalked up 39 consecutive weeks, beating the 38-week lands in 1935-36, by Veloz and Yolands in 1935-36, when Williams departs on Jan. 12 to make way for ildegard and Run' wilde's orchestra, he will have completed a tolat of 90 weeks in three or the property of the pro

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operator and the state of the control of the control operator operato notice.

BLUE TO AIR ESOUIRE AFFAIR AS COLA SHOW

squire mag's all-stay jazz band, elected in a nation-wide poll with trade publication editors and others in the music world participating, will invade the hallowed Met Jan. 18, with a two-hour concert, part of which will go coast-to-coast on the Blue helwork

network.

Radio hookup on the concert will see portion of the program picked up by Blue mikes as Coca-Cola's spollight band program. Esquire is planning a literature campaign to accompany the promotion and will publish bro-clures explaining how selections were made, etc., and containing biogs of each musician and lists of records on which they can be heard.

be heard.

The all-slar band is a promotiventure of Esquire, which lays claim to being the first slick to publish an article on jazz, back 10 or more years ago. Miniature statues, similar to Hollywood's Oscars and known as Eskies' will go to the chosen musicians.

Ellington's Carnegie Hall Reprise **Another Memorable Evening of Jazz**

By DON WALSH

Neither the Illness of two key performers nor the sanctified amosphere of Carragile Hall put the brakes on Duke Ellington Saturday inglit 1119 when he and his octerie of standout jazz mujulcians played a return engagement 43 the 28th are the performent of the Ellington Saturday National Anthen, was straight from the Ellington pallette to the delight of a capacity audience which overnowed the spacious confines of a capacity audience which overnowed the spacious confines of several rows of seats surrounding the band on't be platform.

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The Duke preemed 'New Word Accoming,' lis own brainshift sugardoning, its own brainshift sugardoning the seat of work for two or three popular songs to add to his catalog of hits.

sougs to add to his catalog of hist-This catalog provided the back-bone of the concert. And the Ellinghold continues, even those dating back to the concert. The continues of the distinctive Saturday right as though they were hot from Tin Pan Alley. The Duke gave them Take the A Tanit', Moon Mist', written by his vate: Don't Get Around', 'Ring Dem Bells', 'Jack the Bear', 'Black Den Bells', 'Jack the Bear', 'Black Den Gran Fantay', 'Rockin' in Rhytim', with Things Anit What They Used to a riff tune also written by his son.

lis son.

For good measure, the composer-leader presided at the pinno for an interlude programmed as "Award Winning Compositions," during which spotlighted Sophisticated Lady." Caravan, "Solitude," Mood Indigo and others. The audience loved it. One of the brightest spots of the evening came when the talents of the latter sightless vocatist, Al evening came when the talents of the late George Gershwin, Ellington, the latter's sightless vocalist, Al Hibbler, and violinist Ray Nance Hibbler, and violinist Ray Nance few moments to be more more few moments to be more few moments to the song had been swallowed up by the fast-invention of the song had been swallowed up by the fast-invention few more few mor

parlment.
Also on the program were excepts from Black, Brown and Beige, Ellingtonia Introduced at the band's first Carnegie Hall concert last January.

GLEN ISLAND MAY RESUME IN SPRING

KESUME IN SYKINU.

Glen Island Casino, New Rochelle, N. Y.; expects to reopen next spring, no definite moves toward unshultering the spot, such as refurbishing or making bids for music, have been made, but its operators have signified adjustment of the spring of the s

Red Norvo was given a 4-F classification at the N, Y, induction center after a physical Saturday (11).

Ellington's Concert B.O.

Duke Ellington promoted his Carnegie Hall, N. Y., concert Saturday (11) himself and drew \$4,200 as his end of the total gross of \$5,300. It was generally unknown the leader operated the affair himself, taking the gamble at the b.o. His first concert there, last February, was for Russian Relief.

Ellington repeated his Car-negie concert at Boston's Sym-phony Hall Stunday (12). This was promoted by a local oper-ator and it grossed \$4,600. El-lington took out \$2,300 as his end of a 50% deal.

Files Suit Vs. 802's 1% Tax

Alfred Manuti, member of N. Y. Local 802 of the American Federation of Musicians, has filed suit in

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Slack in Navy, **Orch Disbands**

Freddie Slack enlisted in the Navy ast week by the expedient of asking his draft board to put his name at the top of the list of prospective inductees. He goes into service on the Coast this Fri (17), after which his band will break up.

which his band will break up.
Slack's career was short, but
stormy. After his initial success
via Capilol recordings he was the
tract dispute between Music Corp.
of America and the William Morris
agency, won by the latter. He broke
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disca built up, but each time cancelled out.

Only Glen Gray May Be Left of Casa Loma **Band After This Week**

Glen Gray may be left as the sole surviving member of the original Casa Loma orchestra after this week Executive. Beard of the parent Case Loma ovehestra after this week. Amelican Federation of Musician Clarence Hutchenrider, sax-clarinet, and that after a hearing that Board rejected his complaint, declinic and Stantey Dennis, bass, have filled rejected his complaint, declinic and stantey Dennis, bass, have filled the complaint declinic and stantey Dennis, bass, have filled the case of the complaint declinic and stantey Dennis, bass, have filled the complaint of the stantey of the cooperative original group and the complaint of the cooperative original group and the cooperative original group to the cooperative original group to the cooperative original group and the cooperative original group to the coo

Metro-Capitol-Par. N. Y. Date Snarl Now Involves T. Dorsey's Ford Show

Roxy Dancers Now Warbling With Tucker

WATDING WITH TUCKET

Trio of singers Tommy Tucker installed with his band coincident with
the outli's opening at Frank Daileys'
Terrace Room, Newark, N. J., Friday
(10) are all ex-nanteurs, two having
been culled from the Roxy, N. X.,
line of dauters during Tucker's stay
there, Janet Dinell and Rite O'Donruell are the former Roxy (14). there. Janet Dinell and Ritz O'Don-nell are the former Roxyettes, while the third is Mary Ann Wayne, a foot of the waste Renographer who look and the state of the state of the body and the state of the state of the man's singing contests during that hand's stuy at Dalloy's in Octuber. Amy Arnell, Tucker's vocalist for Single. Currently at the High thea-tie, Baltimore, she opens at Loew's State. N. Y. tomorrow (Thursday) and the same evening goes into La Martinique, N.

Army Now Has Over 800 Bands

Washington, Dec. 14. Army now has well over 800 au-thorized bands, War Department reports. Average unit is 28 men, with

ports. Average unit is 28 men, with. cost of instruments for each orchabout \$3,000. While marching misc is the prime purpose, each base has in it one or more dance orchestast op lay at camp entertainments. Army regulations authorize 46 different instruments for issue to these bands, plus about 600 musical supply tlems and accessories.

Government reports that its armed musicians are hard on instruments, and that an average of 1,000 a year are sent back to Quartermaster Depots for repair and maintenance.

Herb Fields Rehearsing

Tommy Dorsey-Metro-Capitol and Paramount theatre, N. Y., situation broke wide open last week. It's said that Dorsey is being 'requested' to forego one of two signed contracts with the Paramount an. to play one contracted date at the opposition Capitol on schedule during 1944.

Dorsey has a ve-times-a-week Ford program, which he is to debut Jan. 10 in the 8-8:15 p.m. slot on the Blue network. According to sources involved, Dorsey's film contract with Motro allows him only one commercial broadcast a week with the ban . To do more than that requires special permission from the film company On this basis Music Corp. of America, Dorsey's bookers, has been petitioning the Par to let Dorsey out of the second agreement he has to play there or, at least, to let him go to the Cap first during the coming year and then go back to the Par. MCA says the film company can force Dorsey off the Ford show otherwise. Ford contract is signed. Dorsey opens the first of the two

commitments at the Paramount next Wednesday (22). After that he owes the house another date which conthe noise another date when con-flicts with the Cap contract, also culling for an appearance in 1944. This contract was signed on the Coast last August following request from Metro, which has the leader on a seven-year film pact.

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Paramount is sitting tight in the
dispute. It has two signed agreements and is not involved in
the disagreement in any way except
that it is being pressured by MCA
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tloew's, Inc., parent company
Locw-Metro setup), has a contract
on the band which is said to clearly
state it is effective after Dorsey finsible the forthcoming date at the
Dorsey for his next two Broadway
dates.

N. Y. TOWN HALL JAZZ CONCERTS WILL RESUME

Promoters of last season's Town Hall jazz concerts are coming back for more, even though the Saturday afternoon venture was not a success financially when last attempted. Ernie Anderson, D'Arcy ad agency exec, who piloted last series, has announced first program will be staged Dec. 18, with three others to follow.

Presentations will follow same outline, with outstanding jazz per-formers, in uniform and out, being presented informally without strict programing limitations.

Garber Follows Basie

Into N.Y. Lincoln Hotel Jan Garber's orchestra has been booked into the Lincoln hotel, N. Y. for eight weeks beginning Jan. 2. He will have one Fitch Bandwagon shot will have one Fitch Bandwagon shot and two CocaCola broadcasts during the run. This is Garber's initial N. Y. hotel job with his new jump band, though he played four weeks re-cently at Frank Dailey's Terrace Room, Newark. Band is currently at the Roseland Ballroom, N. Y. Count Basic is current at the Lin-

Honor Madriguera

Washington, Dcc. 14

Ambassadors and Ministers of the Latin American republics honored Enric Madriguera Tuesday (13) here Enric Madriguera Tuesday (13) here for his efforts to advance Pan Americanism through music. Recognition was in the form of a parchment scroll, which contained the signatures of the envoys, with 'we, the undersigned, do elect Sr. Enric Madriguera the Musical Ambassador of

the Americas.'
Band is currently at the Commodore hotel, New York, Madriquera claims an intention to form a Pan-American symphony, composed of S. A. musicians, to tour the Latin countries sometime in the future.

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Jimmy Dorsey, Chicago (Chicago; 4,000: 50-85)—Plus 'Hi Diddle' (UA). Solid \$46,000 mainly on band's ap-

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Moody Herman, New York: Paramonts; 2064; 53-51,10)—Williams of the Cape.

Think for Love: Para, On week endcel last night (Tuesday), second for letter and Affiliams of the Cape.

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iooms, Christmas slump being to blame. Louis Prima, Omaha, (Orpheum, 3,000; 20-65)—With This Is Wash-ington' (RKO). Prima getting small help from film, with thin \$11,000 likely, Whole town off. Jan Savitt, Pittsburgh (Stanley, 3,800; 30-75)—With Frank Sinaira and Falcon Co-Eds' (RKO). Band,

3.800: 30-75)—With Frank Sinaira and Falcon Co-264 (RKO). Band, of course, can hardly be considered motive, can hardly be considered motive. And not so big at \$32.500. this being rated a disappointment. Boys and provided point out that Savitt outlit is best he's had here.

Raymend Scant May His Bay (Capana). Jackie Miles and Al Decker's band and 'Girl' Cras' (M-Qi). Currently in final (2d) week, looking strong \$5,000 or over. Unit Partic Alter Dark' (20th), and Patricia Mortion on stage. Snow and mild film blaned for fairish \$18,000.

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Jerry Como, Tidy \$18,500. Perry Como, Deling rated big help to nice pre-Xmas biz.



STAN KELLER CLAIMS 10G B.R. FOR NEW BAND

Stan Keller, leader of the Towns-men quartel, claims to have \$10,000 worth of financing to underwrite the worth of hisaneing to underwrite the full-sized orchestra, he will begin building after the first of the year. Currently at, the Warwick hotel, N. Keller will remain there with his group until the big band is ready. Keller, a sax player, formerly was with Carmen Gavallero's orchestra.

On the Upbeat

Babe Rusin, Jimmy Dorsey sax, has been inducted in California and goes into the Army next week.

Dana Phelps has replaced Penny Piper as vocalist with Al Donahue's orchestra.

Reid Jaynes, Jr., pianist with Billy Yates unit at Hotel Roosevett, Pitts-burgh, is the son of the late Reid Jaynes, who directed orchestra for years at Pitt's old Davis theatre dur-ing its heyday as a two-a-day vauder.

Gene Hamld, arranger for Gracic Barric, returned to NBC arranging staff, full time. Before joining Miss Barrie he was with NBC part time.

Les rown's band, currently doing one-nighters on the Coast, checks in at Paramount Dec. 27 for 'Bring on the Girls.'

Hugo Winterhalter, arranger, joined Tommy Dorsey's band per-manently. He was formerly with Vaughn Monroe.

Don Haynes, former Glenn Miller manager, now a 2d Lieut, stationed at New Haven, where Miller also bases his Air Force band, Haynes is in radio production.

Lester Young rejoined Count Basic's orchestra. 'Snookie' Young, trumpet, no relation, leaves band, replaced by Al Tilian.

Jack Teagarden's band checked in at Universal to play in 'Has Any-body Here Seen Kelly?'

Joe Sanders orch opened two-week ngagement at Vogue Terrace. Pitts-urgh. Saturday (11), replacing the

Band Review

JACK EDWARDS BAND (14)

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TWO WRITERS WHO DO NOT WANT TO GO TO THE COAST ALLEN

ROBERTS and FISHER

Writing Special Material for Such Characters As JOE E. LEWIS LULU BATES ZIGGY TALENT -CYNDA GLENN

P. S.: By the Coast We Mean Brighton Beach

British Best Sheet Sellers (Week Ending Dec. 2, 1943)

London, Dec. 3 London, Dec. 3.
If I Had My Way ... C. C.
Homecoming Waltz ... C. C.
Sunday Monday ... Victori
My Blue Eyes ... Southern
Wing and Prayer ... Francis, Day
Someday Meet Again ... Chappell Someday Meet Again Chappen Say Prayer Southern You'll Never Know Chappell Silver Wings Dash Put Arms Around Me F-D-H This Is Army Chappell In Blue of Evening C. C.

Music Notes

Jimmy McHugh and Harold Adamson drow the scoring job on New Orleans as the first under their new contract at 20th-Fox.

Charles Previn set as musical di-rector for the Charles R. Rogers film, 'Song of the Open Road.'

Johnny arke and Jimmy Van Hensen cleffing live numbers for The Road to Utopia' at Paramount.

Erich Wolfgang Korngold compos-ing score for Between the Worlds' at Warneys

Milton Rosen and Everett Carler cleffed 'Rockin' With Yon.' 'Slightly Sentimental' and 'a ice to Know Yon' for 'Cross Your Fingers' at Universal.

Harry Revel writing four tunes for Harry Revel and Paul Webster cleffed ivin In My Own Sweet Way for National Barn Dance at Paramount.

Schwartz and Howard Dietz collaborated on four new num-bers for 'The Band Wagon' at 20th

Sergt. Ben. Oakland and Georgie Jessel have placed their tune, 'You May Not Remember,' with Eddie Cantor for use in the latter's filmu-sical, 'Show Business.'

Kay Thompson sold 'She's My Tar-get for Tonight,' comic song to Metro for a future musical. Constantin Bakalainikoff chacked

in at RKO to compose the score Eddie Cantor's 'Show usiness.' Dave Bernle is new manager of California office for Santly-Joy mu-sic publishers.

Arthur Franklin supervising the score on 'Rainbow Island' at Para-mount.

Alfred Newman doing the scor-ing job on 'The Sullivans' at 20th-

Judy Williams' succeeded Helen Forrest as vocalist with Harry James' orchestra.

Walter Scharf composing original

Johnny Burke and James Van Hucsen signed to write tunes for the Spitz-Goetz production, 'Belle of the Yukon.'

Dimitri Tiomkin composing back-ground music for 'Ladies Courage-ous' at Universal.

Band Bookings

Bob Allen, Dec. 25, Mecca Temple, Scranton, Pa.; 27. City Aud., Fred-cricksburg, Md.; 29-30, Poli theatre, Waterbury, Conn.; 31, Sunnybrook B., Potistown.

Mitch Ayres, Dec. 24, week, St. Charles theatre, New Orleans, 31, Maxwell Field. Montgomery, Ala.; Jan. 7, week, Riverside theatre, Milwaukee.

waukee.

Gracle Barrle, Jan. 7, week, Circle theatre, Indianapolis; 14-20, Pahaee theatre, Akron-Youngstown:

Benny Carter, Dec. 24, week, Regal theatre, Chicago; 31, Armory, Louisiville, Ky.; Jan. 1, Memorial Half, Springfield, O.77, week, Paradise theatre, Delroit. Al Dexter, Dec. 26, Broadway the-

Al Dexter, Dec. 26, Broadway the-atre, Springfield, Mass. Glen Gray, Dec. 31-Jan. 2, State theatre, Hartford; 6, week, Boston theatre, Boston; 14, week, Paramount theatre, Boston; 14, week, Paramount theatre, Toledo.

theatre, Toicdo.

Louis Jordan, Dec. 24, Miramar B.,
Gary, Ind.; 25, Savor B., Chicago; 26,
Sunset Terrace, 'Indianapolis; 27, Millam Penn's Continental Bar for
Armory, Louisville; 28, Cotton Club,
Dayton; 28, Nu:Elins B., Youngsmore Continents of the Continent Club,
Bands at Hotel B.O.'s

(Presented herewith, as a weekly tabilitation, is the estimated cover charge business being done by name bands in various New York hotels. Dinner business (7-19 pm.) your rated. Figures after name of hotel give room capacity and cover charge. Larger amount designates weekend and holiday price. Compilation is based on period from Monday to Saturday.

Rand Hotel	Weeks Played	Past	Covers On Date	
Ray Heatherton; Biltmore (400; \$1-\$1.50)	. 26	1,150	36.125	
Lani McIntire* Lexington (300; 75c-\$1.50)	. 96	2,000	173,325	
Benny Goodman, New Yorker (400; \$1-\$1.50)	. 9	2,525	24.275	
Tommy DorseyPennsylvania (500; \$1-\$1.50)	. 10	3,075	33,175	
Leo Reisman Waldorf (550; \$2)	. 10	2,500	30.900	
Count Basie Lincoln (275: \$1-\$1.50)	. 5	1.850	8,400	
Guy Lombardo Roosevelt (400; \$1-\$1.50)	. 10	2.225	23,775	
Enric Madriguera Commodors (400; \$1-\$1.50)	. 4	I.100	6.125	
Abe Lyman Essex House (300; \$1-\$1.50)		1,200	3,900	
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* Asterisks indicate a supporting floor show. New Yorker and Biltmore have ice shows. Waldorf has the Hartmans, Annamary Dickey.

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Griff Williams (Empire Room, Palmer House; 750; \$3-\$3.50 min.), Eased
off considerably but Williams still bit draw with fine 9,400.

Jiamy Joy (New Walnut Room, Bismarck hole), 405; \$1.50-\$2.50 min.),
Johnny Long (Panther Room, Sibrenuts hole); 505, \$1.50-\$2.50 min.), Long
holding patronage to around excellent 8,000.

Nell Bondshu (Rayfair Room, Blackstone hole); 400; \$2.50 min.), Bondshu
and Carl Brisson still drawing near capacity with 3,500.

Reddie Oliver (Marine Room, Edgewuler Beach hole); 1,00; 50c. and 75c.
cevee charge, plus \$1.25 min.), Oliver keeps, bringin en in. Last week hit
big 7,600.

Los Angeles

Freddy Martia (Anibassador; 900; \$1-\$150). Slightly off with rest of town up to rainstorms and pre-holiday icidown. At that will get up to 3,800

Joe Reichman (Billmore: 900; \$1-\$1.50). Come rain or snow Reichman keeps Bowl comfortably filled, Close to 4,000 tabs.

Location Jobs. Not in Hotels (Los Au

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Teddy Powell (Palladium B. Hollywood, second week). Helped by turnout of 6.500 at Hollywood Guild Canteen, behefit, Clocked on the week at
around 22,000, fine for Powell in this area.
Frankle Masters (Trianon B, Southgate, second week). Not too badly
affected by the slump and should skim part 6.500 payees.
Fall Harris (Slapsy Marie N, Los Angeles, sixth week). No slackening
of pace free and 5,500 in propped.

(Chicago)

Lou Breese (Chica Paree; 650; 33.50 min.). Still the town's really hot spot with Breese and Gertrude Niesen responsible for around \$700.

Del Courniey (Blackhawk; 500; \$1.42.50 min.). Courniey going over nicely here with patronage sticking to very good \$100.

10 Best Sellers on Coin-Machines

(Records below are grabbing most nickels this week in jukeboxes throughout the country as reported by operators to 'Wartety.' Names of work than one band or occulist after the title indicate, in order of popularity, whose recordings are being played. Figures and names in parendent indicate the number of weeks each cong has been in the listings and respective publishers.)

1. Pis	stol Packin' Mama (19) (Morris)	Bing Crosby Decca
2. Pe	ople Will Say (12) (Crawford)	Bing CrosbyDecca Frank SinatraColumbia
8. Be	autiful Morning (19) (Crawford)	Frank SinatraColumbia
4. Vic	ctory Polka (5) (Chappell)	Andrews-Crosby' Decca
5. My	Heart Tells Me (3) (BVC)	Glen GrayDecca
6. Su	nday, Monday, Always (17) (Mayfair).	Biug-CrosbyDecca
7. Fo	r. First Time (3) (Shapiro)	Dick Haymes Decca
8. Pu	it Arms Around Me (17) (Broadway).	Dick Kuhn Decca
9. Th	ey're Either Young (1) (Witmark)	Jimmy Dorsey Decca
10. I'll	Be Home Xmas (I) (Melrose)	Bing Crosby Decca
	OTHER FAVOR	ITES

(These records are directly below first 10 in popularity) Paper Doll (26) (Mills). Mills Bios. Decca White Xmas (Berlin) ... Bing Crosby Decca Shoo-Shoo Baby (Leeds) Andrews Sisters Decca Jan Garber Hit Cuddle Up Closer (Harms) Kay Armen Decca
How Sweet You Are (Remick) Kay Armen Decca

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icom. 31, week, Fay's theatra, Philadelphia.

Johnny Leng, Jan, 2, Paramount
theatre, Hammond, Ind.; 8, Capitol
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theatre, Pittsburgh; 14, four weeks,
eago, theatre, Chicago.
Tony Pastor, Jan. 7, week, Sianley,
theatre, Pittsburgh; 14, four weeks,
Forry Wald, Dec. 23, week, Boston
theatre, Boston; 31-Jan. 2, Metropolitan theatre, Providence; 4, four
weeks, Frolic, Miami.
weeks, Frolic, Miami.
Medicher photel, Jackson, Miss; 21, Arcade,
Monroe, Ala; 22, Aud., Shreeport,
La; 23, Aragon, Houston, Tex; 24,
Monroe, Ala; 22, Aud., Shreeport,
La; 23, Aragon, Houston, Tex; 24,
Robert Drictol hotel, Coppus Christi,
Tex; Jan. 1, Aud. El Paso, Tex; 3,
Luke Field, Phoenix, Artz; 6, six
weeks, Palace-potel, San Francisco.

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Abramson, of Mutual, Hits Back At Critics of Nets' Briefie Remotes

Nat Abramson, head of the tuining department at WOR-Mutual, N. Y., strongly objects to the criticisms levelled at his handling of the networks' sustaining time as it is distributed for band remotes. He points out that the bandleaders, music publishers, etc., who have been objecting in recent weeks to the numerous 15-minute and sometimes less pickup periods doled out, know

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'Arkansas' for \$5,000

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Edward B. Marks.

15 Best Song Sellers (Weck En ing Dec. 11)

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Paper Doll . Marks
White Christmas . Berlin
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People Will Saw . Crawford
Bet Home for Xman . Melrose
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Say a Prayer . Southern
Sun. Mon. or Always . Mayfair
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For Sweet You Are . Remid
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on anticipated income for the re-mainder of December, but it's expected to be of record proportions.

Les Zahler and Pat O'Dea cleffed 'Heaven on Earth' for 'Men In Her Mind' at PRC.

NBC. CBS, Blue, Mutual Plugs

Following list of the most played popular times on the networks for the neck beginning Monday and through Sunday, Dec. 6 to Dec. 12 from 5 p.m. to 1 a.m., is divided into two sections. The first section represents the first approximately 25 leaders in alphabetical order (in some cases there are ties, accounting for a longer list), and the second section contains the 'also rans,' but notated in arithmetical order. The compilations embrace the NBC, CBS, Blue and Mutual Networks, as represented by WEAF, WABC, WJZ and WOR, N. Y., and are based on data provided by Accurate Reporting Service, regular checking source of the music publishing industry.

TITLE	PUBLISHER
Besame Mucho	Melodylane
By the River of Roses	
Candlelight and Wine-, 'Around the World'	Miller
Don't Believe Everything Dream- round World	
Don't Sweetheart Me	
For First Time	
Home	American
How Sweet You Are-"Thank Lucky Stars"	Remick
I Couldn't Sleep Last Night- Higher and Higher	
I've Had This Feeling Before- Show usiness	
Little Did 1 Know	Lincoln
Little Did I Know	BVC
My Ideal	Paramount
. y Shining Hour-r'Sky's the Limi	Morris
No Love No Nothin - Gang's All Here	Triangle
Oh, What a Beautiful Morning-"Oklahoma"	Crawford
Paper Doll	Marks
People Will Say We're In Love-" 'Cklahoma'	Crawford
Pistol Packin' Mania	Morris
Put Your Arms Around Me-"Coney Island"	Broadway
Say a Prayer for Boys Over There- Hers to Hold	Southern
Shoo Shoo Baby-Three Cheers For Boys	
Speak Low-' One Touch of Venus'	Chappell
They're Either Too Young Too Old- tars	Witmark
When They Ask About You	Berlin
White Christmas =: Holiday Inn'	Berlin
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MOST PLAYED AFTER FIRST 26

Do Nothing 'ou Hear From Me	Rohhms
Honey Song	Morris
Have I Stayed Away Ton Long?	Famous
In a Frendly Little Harbor	Campbell
My First Love	Dorsey
Someone to Love	
Is My Baby Blue Tonish:	Broadway
Is My Baby Blue Tonight Old Acquaintance— Old Acquaintance	Witmark
Star Eyes-y'l Dond It'	Feisi
Sunday, Monday or Always-i'Dixic'	Mayfair
Surrey With Fringe on Top- Oklahoma'	Crawford
Holiday For Strings	BVC
I'll Bc Home For Chris(mas.	
Take It Easy-, 2 Sisters and a milor	
Thank Your Lucky Stars - Thank Lucky Stars	Pamielz
You're the Rainbow- iding High'	Paramount.
Close to You	Barton
I Dug a Ditch, Thousands Cheer	Maist
If You Please— Dixie	Panyan
I'm Ridin For a Fall—: Thank Lucky Stars	Powiels
Music Stopped—> Higher and Higher	Marmar
Oklahoma—"Oklahoma"	Crawfor
	Marks
Poingiana	
Victory Polka	Chamino
In the Blue of Evening	Snapiro
The Dreamer- Thank Lucky Stars'	Harms
Things That Mean So Much to Me	BMI

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Timesmiths of Tin Pān. Alley can dish up sentimental ballads, but when it comes to war soung 'it's the man in the G. I. suit who marches off with the honors', was gist of N. Y. Mirror feature section Sinday 121. Pointed out that such times as 'Marines Hwin,' 'Anchors Aweigh,' 'What Do You Do in the Infantry,' 'Army Air Corps' and 'Caissons' were all written by servicemen.

Theory article advanced was that fightin men and what they like,

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'Ice Follies' Does 250G N. Y. Gross

'lee Follies' grossed \$250,000 dur-ing the Shipstad-Johnson skating revue's engagement at Madison Square Garden, N. Y., which ended Saturday (11). Date was a week longer-than last year, extending info the pre-Christinas slump period. That accounts for the final performance's

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GAYLE ROBBINS

Mistress of Ceremonies Currently 12th Week GLASS HAT, N. Y.

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are a watch-worthy donce due, who heighten their ballroom weaving with sensational overhead spins and nove fluishes. The Patricia batf of the team is a surprisingly beautiful girl. her up some day soon-will."-W. Kanfman,

HELD OVER EIGHTH WEEK Featured in "YOURS FOR FUN" MUSIC BOX THEATRE, H'wood

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Now 11th Week GLASS HAT, N. Y. Thunks to FRANK LAW
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UAL BHAUDIS, HELMONT PLAZA

N. Y. AGVA SIGNS JERSEY, B'KLYN CAFES

The New York local of the American Guild of Variety Arists has signed the Melody Club, Union City, and the Control of the Cont

lyn, was pacted on terms calling for \$50 for principals and \$30 for the ehorus

Stone's 'Sensations' Film Strewn With 17 Vaude. Circus Acts

Hollywood, Dec. 14.

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BAKER'S THROAT HURTS CANCELS PHILLY DATE

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A throat aliment has forced Phil
B ker to eancel one vaudeville date
and delay plans for several obsess,
though the comedian will continue
with his CBS-Euvenburg utizzer,
Take II or Leave II, every Sunday,
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'Icecapades' Sock 106G In 5 Toronto Showings Toronto. Dec. 14.

Toronto, Dec. ...
'Icecapades of 1944' grossed a ter-rific estimated \$106,000 here for five performances (Dec. 6-10), with Maperformances (Dec. 6-10), with Ma-ple Leaf Gardens (13,500-seater) ple Leaf Gardens Gasou-----scaled at \$3 top.

Three of the performances were

Joins Moe Gale

Sam Fliashnick, road manager of the Inkspots, leaves that position this week to join the Moe Gale talent agency as salesman and assistant to Gale. Agency handles the Inkspots. Murray Nadell replaces Fliashnick with the Spots.

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this year, t Williams licked the phrenie tion and shows good signs for a

comehnek.

Rufus Weathers now up for meals
and exercise after long siege of bed
routine.

Osear Price and Jocy Cowan expect their tickets home soon. Both
are now shoppers for the gang.

Alice Farley mastered the phrenic
overstion.

Alice Farley mastered the pirente operation.

Ann Comerford hoping she can get a furlough to attend her daughter's wedding.

Edwin Boyer, formerly with Maryland, Baltimore, here getting that checkup at the Trideau sanatorium.

Write to those who are ill.

Yachters Renewed San Francisco, Dec. 14.
Slapsy Maxie has renewed the acht Clubs boys until after the

Yacht Clubs boys until after the Yacht Clubs boys until after the Yule season.

There will be some minor changes made in the show for Christmas

Russell Partners In Fight Over Profits. Sue for Dissolution

Los Angeles, Dec. 14.

Jack Joyce and Lou Berg filed suit against Arthur M. Concello, demanding dissolution of their partnership as owners of the Russell Brothers Circus, which they bought last June for \$50,000.

or \$50,000. . Plaintiffs charge Concello Plaintiffs charge Concello with rendering an 'incomplete and incor-rect' accounting of the profits of the show. They ask a complete accoun-ing and a receiver to sell the circus and divide the proceeds among the

DEXTER TRIGGERS HIS MGR., CARLOS GASTEL

Al Dexter and Carlos Gastel, his manager, split last week during Dex-ter's run at the Capitol theatre, N. Y. It's asserted that Dexter bought back

It's asserted that Dexter bought back Gastel's management contract for \$1,000, but this figure is unconfirmed. Act is agented by GAC. Dexter has been playing a string of theatres in the midwest and cast on the strength of his "Pistol Packin' Mama," at \$3,500 per week.

2 Philly Vaude Spots Sign New AFM Pacts

Sign New AFM Tacks

Initially his place 14.

Musclams has tweek announced it had signed new contracts with Fayand Carman, both vaudiliners under the commangement of Sain Studet the commangement of Sain Studet Fay's was re-signed at the Same terms as the old contract while the Carman contract did away with the Carman contract did away with the 15-2, wage cut in offect during the sain to receive \$7.50 per week per man extra for stage appearances.

AGVA Eliminates 'D

Scale for 'C' in Philly Scale for C' in Philly.

The American Guild of Variety
Artists last week announced the
elimination of the 'D' scale in niterice effective Jan. I. All spots, herebefore class D with a \$37 weekly
minimum, will be placed in the C'
category, with the minimum stiped
for performers at \$43 less 10% for

agents.
The scale for two-day club dates was raised from \$16.50 to \$18 net.

Dante's 9G. Toronto

Back for his second engagement here this season, Dante, the magicine, grossed an excellent \$5,000 si the Royal Alexandra, with 1,225-84. After spilling the week of the Royal for the Week of Dec. 20.

Curfew Hits San Antonio

Currew Hits San Antonio Dec 14.

The Texas Currew law, which prohibits the siale of liquor after midnight, is playing have with local
night spots. Just as the evening is
getting started comes the order toremove all glasses, setups, and drinks
from the customers tables.
Spots are finding less customers
coming in late but the evening startting early. Spots are as a rule all

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SET MILLS FOR N. Y. CAP.

Mills rothers have been set for the Capitol, N. Y., their first vaude date on Broadway in some time. Group is booked with Lionel Hamp-ton's orchestra and opening Jan. 16,

ion's orchestra and opening Jan. 16, at \$2.500 veckly.

Mills' have been laying off ovecks, first because of their inability to replace the drafted Harry Mills and later due to the illness of Herb Mills, who was in the bespital for executal weeks with a throat alment. They icutar to work tomorrow (18) at RKO Boston. Boston.

AGVA and ARA Near Deal on Nat'l Franchising of All Talent Agents

Artists and the Artists Representatives Assn. have worked out an agreement which would ultimately force all agents to join one of the reputable agent associations. The move is designed to take in agents

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Night Club Reviews

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Jose Rodriquez Rhumba Band (5);
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After several delayed openings. Chicago's newest night spot has gotstanding the control of th

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works. After the fights at the Legion stadium on Fridays it was the smart thing to be seen at the Lodge. Make Hayes took the drag out of Sunday night biz by letting the pittle ardio celebs see how if fees to play before a live audience. And did they love It! the literally sins the show with her vocalistics which includes the his songs from Odahoma; a medley of several tunes associated with her in Soulers, some dialect shift and a dramatic version of "White Christmas," that wime salvon of anythers and the show in the state of the show in the show i

Latin Quarter, N. Y. Bally Vine, Cardini, Shea & Ray-mond, Frank Messone & Abbort Dancers (5), Christiani Troupe (6), Henri Therrien, Bob Duprec & Charlo, Adele Parrish, Una Cooper, Line, Jose Corte, Orch, Don Me-Grang Orch, minimum \$2-\$3.

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to the Fats Waller, style.

Other acts are not of the type to draw patronage. Danny Rogers, comic and emece, fails to register due to weak material and no especial that drifts in here. Marcia Del Ray gives out forcibly with Latin tunes and Bruce, the magi, belongs in the mill-tun of smoothles. Paul Parks unusie is okey for this small room.

Once they hit on a winning com-bination, the Messes, Miller and Hoffman will have the Lodge back in the chips.

La Conga, N. Y.

Jackie Gleason, Eileen Barton,
Zarco & Beryl, Dorothy Dorben
Dancers (6), Enoch Light and
Machito Orchs; \$2.50 and \$3.50 mini-

Jack Harris has quite a Latin clientele here, but his current show headliners are as far removed from the Espagnol as is Jimmy Durante's hot hard the best of the Espagnol as is Jimmy Durante's hot hard the both aren't sold; are sold to be sol

ever, they registered smartly.

Gleason, in his early warmup appearance, started stretching when his audience seemed to be chilling. He dragged out some chestinuts and bail of fire. So Gleason brought on the package line of six good-looking, well-dressed girls, billed as the Dorothy Dorben Dancers. This was the first of their three routines, and the child of their three routines, and tured to lick his wounds, if not the customers.

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That Ole Carny Con

Chicago, Dec. 14.
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Treasury department is start-ing an investigation of several carnivals and outdoor shows. Seems that some of the com-panies which enjoyed such tren-endous business last summer have been lax in reporting ticket taxes and correct income taxes and Uncle Sam wants to know why.

should bend every effort and spend whatever he could afford to get it.

Enceh Light's playing of the show and Machito's band, as alternale for the Latin rhythms, are both discussed for La Conga.

Scho.

Flame Room, Mpls.

Minneapolis, Dec. 11.
Howard LeRoy Orchestra (5).
Ethel Schutta; \$1.50 min.

This room eaters to the swankier set and is clicking with a policy of small dames orchestra and a single outstanding personality to present its floor show entertainment. Currently Ethel Schutta provides the magnet to all the small and intimate club nightly.

Miss Schutts is in box words.

nightly.

Miss Schutta is in her usual fine-fettle and apparently becomes more of a favorite with the passing years which treat her so well. She seems to have no difficulty in maintaining her position among the top sin ing comediennes and song stylists.

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St. Louis, Dec. 14.

Niteries are hiking minimums all over town but biz continues on the unbeat despite the fact that with few exceptions the customers must furnish their own liquor.

The latest nitery to bloom is The Rivieria, last week, and it's expected to furnish stiff competish to the order.

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Such bonus payments went to more than 200 newspapersmen and the parts of the worker papers in all parts of the worker parts of the parts of

Afloal, by Eustace L. Adams, was acquired by Paramount, and 'Glory Road,' authored by Robert Carse, will be filmed by Universal.

with the filmen by Universal.

In the picture version of '30 Seconds Over Tokio,' the Doolittle bombing epic, Bob Considine will get equal authorship credit with Ted Lawson. In book form the latter is named the author, while the former citied the yarn.

As in 1922 those will be not Alfred.

edited the yarn.

As in 1943 there will be no Alfred
R. Knopf literary fellowship award
for fletion next year, but the pub-lisher is establishing two \$2,500
grants in history and biography, with
American themes given preference.
Competition closes June I, 1944.

Dr. andolph Ray has delivered the finished manuscript of 'Marriage Is a Serious Business' to Whittlesse House, which will publish it in the spring: Dr. Ray, who tells his views on modern marriage, is rector of the Little Church Around the Corner.

3 More Ritz Dates

The Ritz rothers, following their recent appearance at the Roxy, New York, open at the Bowery, Detroit Vork, open at the Bowery, Detroit to the Roy, Bower of the Roy, Detroit of the Palace their Columbus, O_w where they open on Jan. 7 for three days. They follow this with a week at the Palace, Cleveland, Jan. 7.

Further dates are being lined up.

New 75G Mex Nitery

Mexico City, Dec. 14.
Monolo Del Valle, nightelnb and
restaurant owner, has opened a \$75,000 club, the Rossignol, in the heart
of lown: First band. In 1s that of
Don de Vodi, former New Yorker,
who has recruited a nine-piece Mexican orchestra.

Rossignol is situated under the Monolo restaurant, and owner plans to use acts later.





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dancers (New Acts).

Most appealing ensemble number, and there are several good ones, is the 'Classic in Blue'. Don McGrane and Jose Cortez orchestras alternate for show and dance music.

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Valley Lodge, L. A. Los Angeles, Dec. 2.
Rose Murphy, Maria Del Rey
Danuy Rogers, Brice, the Magician
Paul Parks & Playmates (5); \$2 minimum Saturday only.

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Last week court recessed from Tuesday to Thursday with no session Wednesday due to illness of John Rosselli, Paul De Lucia and Francis Maritote. This week there was no session held Monday '13'.

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Hodekiss' Silver Star

Hedgkiss' Silver Star Henry Jaffe, torney, reported Camp Upfon. Pfc Loren Hodgkiss, musician be-lore going into the service, has been awarded the Army's Silver Star European theater of war. European theater of war. Lawrence H. Zacharias, assistant manager of Arade, Army. Obic Obborne, musician and voea-tist with Skipp Strahl orch, Army. Castelli, local exhib, received medi-cal discharge.

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Billy Stone, Pittsburgh Symph vio-linist, into Navy as a musician.

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Richard Gordon tees off with
Great Day, and then goes into two
numbers from Schalabona. Mysal
Will Say. He finishes with 'Donkey
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Treentas, Lai Chicago, Dec. 10. Ari Kassel Orch (12) with Gloria Hart & Jimmy, Featherstone, Daria Drayson, Al Stone & Kaye Lee, 3 Pretenders: There's Something About a Soldier' (Col).

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Circle, Indpls.

Indianapolis, Dec. 12.
Russ Morgan Orch, with Sulvia
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Wee Lewis: Nan Rae & Mrs. Waterfall, the Albins (2), Topsy: 'Gangway for Tomorrow' (RKO).

Russ Morgan, a band leader with an ear for a melody, is making him-self persona grata with the crowd sell persona grata with the crowd at the Circle this week in a smooth show that features first-rate music on the subdued side, a couple of high-class soloists and three good

Palladium, London

London, Dec. 1.

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Rawicz & Landauer, Cyrii Fletcher,
Richard Haydn, Lamar & Rosita, Bob
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Nepheur, Palladium Girls.

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Orpheum, L. A.
Los Angeles, Dec. 8.
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ndianapolis, Dec 11.

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Himber's bands' putting out superior brand of stuff here this Band does 'Hallelujah'. 'Begin the Beginie.' Mad About the Boy and ing the clauser layering the Beginie.' And About the Boy and ing the clauser layering the property of the Boy and the

State, N. Y.

Gray Family (5). The Mundels (3). Peters Sisters (3). Joey Adams & Tony Canzoneri, Dunninger, Ruby Zwerling's Pit Orch: 'Phantom of the Opera' (U).

Zwerlings Pit Orch; Phantom of the Price to his excursion into radio on the Blue network, which has given Dunninger a wider reputation. The price of
See C. J. Fed & Andrey Dool of June 1960 of the Monies orch. "Annatin Adverture" cPRC".

Keith's stays in the groove with a nicely balanced bill that features some light magic, specicalist, as the property of the property

Stanley, Pitt
Pittsburgh, Dec. 10.
Frank Shadra, Jan Sapitt's Orch
1231, 3 Wells, Cookie Bowers, Buddy
Welcome; 'Falcon and the Co-Ed'
(RKO).

"The Voice's press department may have the visit of the v

Smartz would be stummarily dark and that was the ruly. For the 20 policemen were unnecessary and so were all the other presentations. At the opeuing abow, which went on at the opeuing abow, which went on at the opeuing abow, which went on the control of the con

Mipp, Balto

Billed and strongly sold as an 'All-Girl Revue,' this layout is assembled with femme acts at hand with spe-cialties spliced in between band num-bers by Ada Leonard and her orch by the control of the con-with the tolorra, who carry own vi-culst, and there's more singing by Blaine Kupper, winner of an oppor-tunity stunt conducted by lucal sta-tion WITH. Watson Sisters help matters considerably and there's

some change in sace also via Eleanor.

Ada Leonard's orth is made up of four sax, four bars, three findles and the sace of the

Earle, Philly

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Philadelphia, Dec 10.

Gril Currol's Vanities unit with
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English, 3 Sailors, Gaudsmith Bros.

Line of Girls (15), Nathan, Saiders

Orch (18); Dancing Masters' (20th).

There's everything from a hillbilly banjo player to a cootch daucer in this demi-tasse revue propounded by Earl Carroll for a tour through the hinterland.

Earl Carroll for a four through the Minterland.

As these mighest revue; ago—and has these mighest revue; ago—and here—the current Carrollette is plenty for the money. There are a plenty for the money. There are a Bros. Three Salors who not cilcke whenever they come on board, and be suffered to the summer of
Nat Towles Orch (16), Flash Lawrence, Doc Wheeler, Sizer Tharpe, Trumpet Twins Tanglefoot & Bateeste, Ink Spots (4); Submarine Alert' (Par).

Ink Spots top a pretty good bill here this week. Though includes the test of the control of the

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station WITE, this youngeter has the
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By LESTER TUBOFF
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On Monday night (13) the dra-matic season at the Center was inmatic season at the Cobier was this augurated. by a performance of Rachel Crother's Susan and God's starring Gertrude Lawrence and Coorad Nagel, This was a bubbling revival of the 1937 this with Miss Lawrence. Douglas Gilmore and Eleanor Audiey the oolly members of the original cast now gracing this physical start of the original cast now gracing this physical start of the physical start of th newcomer. Jean gawky daughter.

The play remains an amusing tour de force for the chullient Miss Law-rence with a somewhat underplayed counterfoil provided by Nagel. The rest of the cast contribute wellrest of the cast contribute well-rounded backgrounds for the Oxford group-inspired antics of the 'long-suffering Susan. The audience was highly receptive to the play.

Susao' will be followed by a pre-sentation next week of Sgl. Sidney Kingsley's The Patriots, Starring sentation next week of Sgl. Signey Kingsleys. The Patriots, Safrring Walter Hamoden. This will be fol-lowed by the CIO-sponsored nusical revue. Marching With Johnny, which opens Dec. 29. Gershwin's Porgy and Bess, Cheryl Crawford version, will be staged Feb. 28.

A week of grand opera is planned starting Feb. 20 and the Ballet Russe is skedded for a three-week run starting April 10. Other events and concerts are being planned to fill the gaps: nd round out the season.

'Oklahoma' Betting

Wagers were offered on Broad-ay recently that the Chicago many of Oklahoma would run two years in the Loop. Knthusiasis bas their opinion Enthusiants bas their opinion on the hing advance, sale of approximately \$180,000 as of last week at the Erlanger. Chi record is held by Good Night, Lastonies, still current there at the Blackstone. Other long Loop included "Jide with and "No, No Namette."

redictions on the length of Broadway 'Oklahoma' run redictions on the teigh of Broadway 'Oklahoma' rin vary, general idea being that it will play more than three years. It is now in the 38th week at the St. James.

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Treasurers Club, held at the Lyceum,
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boxofite-congulization around \$10,500.
Last geason, the Treasurer, held
a dance and floor show at the Waldurf, not then benefit \$7,000.

Det. Sets Season Of Light Opera

Plans to establish a light oper company on a permanent basis in Detroit were put in motion tast week with the formation here of the Civic Light Opera Ass'n and the announce-ment of a 10-week awason beginning to the companion of the companion of the torium. I at the Missonic addi-Under the companion of the companion of the companion of the Under the companion of the companion of the companion of the Under the companion of the

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Louis opera, professional leads, will be used with the singing and dancing ensembles recruited in Detroit. One

be used with the singing and dancing measured recruited in Derioti. One opera will be given each week except on those lights already faken of the control of

Dream Street Beat

Wednesday, December 15, 1943

(Broadway Legit Lowdown)

Some three months ago Lew Brown fitted out a four-room suite with a bathroom, in the Sardil bldg, pull Arthur Klein in charge of it. Klein hasn't seen him since. All those showgrist tripping and hipping along 44th street are ways to J. J. Shubert re his new revene. 'Up and Down the acreet john Lee of the Call Charles & Chodorov Hondowski and the production of the control of the Call Charles & Chodorov Call Charles & Chodorov Call Charles & Call Charles & Chodorov Carl Land Land Charles & Call Cha

quiety casting it...Reports drift in from Friesc that two coast drama entities credited Comine Bennetts wardrobe the imajor reason for Without The National Theater Sanference may buy Tennessee Williams Town Tueth Mer for production in all the leading commantly theaters. Williams is now writing for Metro... The list of agents who are not casting a single lien is now larger than those which are. The Theater Gull now, has for Jacobsonsky And The Colone!

While Stella Adder has been subbing in Two Mrx. Carrolls, Fred Finkle-hoffe has been indefined with her on 'A Question of Time by Geo. Barrand, She may direct... After some difficulty Max Gordon singed the 6 Brazillams for the rd. Co. Mr. Stiere lister [55] as Mrx. On Friday [10] opening is lating time than the product of the colones of the co

Inside Stuff—Legit

Ownership of 'The Voice of the Turtic,' Moroco, N. Y., Ihree-person concedy smish privariest in one setting, mostly concerns a wealthy Park avone group headed by Alfred de Ligher, Jr. The shaw cot 12,0000 and started making money in out-of-town showings. Indications are that it will not a has an interest's have Natialised Clews Spencer, who had an interest in the last de Ligher, Jr., success. Yes, Mr. Darling Daughter', Mrs. Frederick Payme and Howard S. Cullina on out-of-term trutice two stars, Margarel Sulkavan and Elliott Nigoni, the latter having given part of his share to his father, Jr. C. Nugent. De Ligher's, uncle was the slehr Mincheshtein; who operated the Astor hotel to fame, A. consin is Hondrik Willem van Looi, the author. Delity' was formerly pattered with Leduc Cof. Richard, Looi, the author. Delity' was formerly pattered with Leduc Cof. Richard of Gerlrinde Lawrence.

In some managerial quarters the idea of New York city virtually going into show business at the former Mecca. Temple, instead of holding to the announced intention of using the N. Y. City. Center for civic, concerts and educational purposes, has been criticized. Contentions in that playing least monison is higher and so are the operating expenses.

Howard S. Cullipan, wholesale tobaccounts, who has invested in many froadway shows and is chairman of the Centre's program committee. Howard S. Cullipan, wholesale tobaccounts, who has invested in many moradway shows and is chairman of the Centre's program committee. Harton's and Tengramid Best fittee testings backed there, had been 'commercially presented on Broadway, while 'Marching With Johnny,' the ClO recue, is not supposed to have been produced for profit. Around SX,000 has been privately subscribed to finance line (center, which is to money could be made out of the effectiveness.) Cultiman declared that no money could be made out of the effectiveness.

According to Jack Pvarl and Hairy Green, who starred in the withdrawn All For All, presented at the Bijon, N. Y., by A. L. Bernan, deal for the theater was, originally stated for 15 weeks, altraction guaranteeing the house \$1,800, weekly. Stiphitation was that Pearl and Green, or Bernan, notify the theatre by the end of the eighth week that they would continue for the balance of the booking. Through an oversight, no notice was given and Louis Lottio booked in Rose Franken's When Doctors Disagree, due at the Bijou tale this month.

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Starten's husband, and Diddestoot that William Broom's tag unarbeing the Bijou 53,000 per week. Columbia Pictures is stated to be backing the Franken play.

yer Davis, who has placed the Reginald Denham Mary Orr play. "The flower," into rehearsal, has decided not to change the title as planned. Meyer Davis, who has placed the Reginated Demani-many, Off pays, are Mullifower, into rehearsal, and decided not to chapige the little as planned. Research revealed that previous use of the oame had been so extensive that, Walthower' is virtically in the public domain. That till the ass used for stories which appeared in not less than eight well known magazines between 1922 and 1940 and novelized twice. If was also used for a one-time of the control of

oetween 1922 and 1940 and noverized twice. If was also used for a one-reel film and another of six-reel leight.

Partners in the cohipacy and their contributions are: Meyer Davis, 17,7000: Harry Cohen, \$2,000: Reginald Denbam, \$2,000: Eli. Gussoff, \$1,000: David Bortin, \$1,000: Mrs. George H. Shaw. \$1,000: Grace. F. Green, \$1,000:

Review of 'The World's Full of Girls' (closed) at the Royale, N. Y., in the N. Y. Daily News tearried a three-column head of the fittle over John the N. Y. Daily News tearried a three-column head of the fittle under the notice was a small disholty of most of the property of the collection of the property of the prope

When Kenny Baker was forced out of 'One Touch of Yenus.' Imperial. N. Y.- Issi week because of grippe. Marren Jones subbed, and a message the bounding noting the replacement, as required by Equity related. Show: a few to be subject to the subject of the subject

The reason given for the close of 'Dart Sovil 'slowing's \$13,000 week at the Case theart. Define, it, shall white the road ownermed the successful, practically, all the targer cities had been vested and the specific duction was too costly and cumbrous to play split-weeks or on-injeners. However, it is understood that several members of the east are headed for any plays and with one severee, contract taking another to the West for any plays and with one severee, contract taking another to the West for any plays and with one severee, contract taking another to the West for any plays and with one severee, contract taking another to the West for any plays and with one severee, contract taking another to the West for any plays and with one severee, contract taking another to the West for any plays the severee of the severee

CIO's Marching With Johnny has gone through almost a complete change of material since opening in Newark Nov. 22. Humphrey Weidman is restlaging the dances: New York opening is skedded for Dec. 29 at the City Center.

Mike Todd Is 'Sybaritic'

Which Means He Should Look Up the Word to See What He Hasn't Got

Michael Todd has gotten consider- Todd opened 'The Naked Genius' at aneol the manager's caocellation of aned the managers caocellation, of the Star and Carter four, Boston in particular was interested because for Star. He corrected any impression of the Star and the Market Box. N. Y. recently (4), instead of Sending it on the road. Short saged the show and collected a weekly royativ.

Short staged the show and collected as weekly reacts. Detailed of a weekly reacts of failure file tom of Sixt because for failure file tom of Sixt because for failure girk. He's quoted as as-ing. The forms girk we've been able to hire to leave. New York took like a Harvard football team backfield. The contrast girks were been able to hire to leave file and the stage of the stage

able satisfaction over reaction to the Plymouth, N. Y., over the pro-comment out-of-town papers tests of Gypsy Rose Lec and George S. Kaufman, author and stager the show, respectively, was to obtain his share of the picture money. Understood that if the show had not been played at least three weeks on Broadway he would not have gotten his 40% share of the \$187.000 paid by 20th for Genius. The flim rights sidel was made before the play was produced. Miss Lee and Kaufrighs sidel was made before the play was produced. Miss Lee and Kaufrighs sidel was made before the play was produced. Miss Lee and Kaufright was well before the side of the Miss of the side of the s Broadway he would not have gotten

Mpls.' Legit Famine

House in Paris' Due

For Toronto Jan. Bow

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Maybe They're Bashful

Pittsburgh, Dec. 14.
Chilliness of legit first-nighters in Pittsburgh is getting to be a

Commission when Kalharine Cornell production of Three Sisters' spend season when Kalharine Cornell production of Three Sisters' opened there as Nixon, some in the audience completed that they opened there as Nixon, some in the audience completed that they couldn't hear much of the dialog. Told this by a sigge menager between the acts, Miss Cornell cracked back: Tell the audience we can't

tween the acts, Miss Connell cracked back: Tell the audience we can't hear them either hing happened recently when Blibbs Spritt played. Much the same thing happened recently when Blibbs Spritt played because the same than the

Shuberts Boost Booking Advantage On B'way By Acquiring 3 More Houses

Now He Means It William Hodge, young actor in the road company of '3 Is a Fam-ily,' has undoubtedly reconciled

his present induction notice with a line that he has in the pisy. Hodge's line refers to draft

boards as being composed of stubborn men

Offset 20% Tax

Refusal of the Senate Finance Committee to reduce the 20% admis-sion tax in the new revenue bill, al-though consideration was given to enterprises outside of show business, is a main tople of discussion in legit circles, since that alivision of the the-

circies, since that division or the the-atre figures to be harder hit by the doubled impost than other places of admission because price scales are higher. There is a chance that the levy will be discussed and possibly revised on the floor before passage

(Continued on page 53)

Vincent Youman's revue, tenta-tively called. 'Good Nelghbor' and described as consisting of Cuban-South American concert and ballet, is dated to open at the Mosque, New-ark, Jan. 21, with Baltimore and Washington to follow. As yet no Broadway spot has been secured. Revue, which will have another

In Newark on Jan. 21

Youmans Revue Opens

Mull Moves To

Shuberts have strengthened their booking advantage on Broadway this season by the reputed sequisition of three more theaters, giving them the further advantage of exacting guarantees from products. As indicated previously, stop limits have been in the contract of the co

on the gross instead of a sliding scale.

St. James, Ambassador and Forpret are the houses named as: Shubeat properties of the state of the stat

St. James, first called Erlanger's St. James, first called Erlanger's was built at a time when the firm of Klaw & Erlanger split. Late A. L. Erlanger decided to creet the house in case the New Amsterdam (now a film house), which they jointly owned and which was the ace musical comedy house, would be disposed of. Money for the theatre was raised of. Money for the theatre was raised of. Money for the theatre was raised by a bond subscription mostly disposed of in New Orleans by need of full-page ads. For years the St. James, which cost over \$1,000,000 to build, did not prove profitable, interest on the bonds was defaulted and the properly finally reverted to the Astors for non-payment of ground rent.

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(Girls, written by Nunnally Johnson, was produced by Jed Harris
with Hollywood backing. It got very
little coin after the premiere, and
with theaters facing declining adcided it would be less costly to fold.
Unless another attraction is bood
into the Royale the producer will
meller applied to Equity for a cut salury arrangement for the fourweek booking and its understood the
cast agreed to accept the minimum
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and when business improves. 'Girls' 4G Guarantee Flop Two of the latest guarantee dea

Honorably Discharged,

Duttack Joins Prince
Toronto, Dec. 14.

Arthur Dollack, 16, honorably discharged from the Lorne Scots Register of the Lorne Scots Register of the Student Prince' company, here, and reputedly will take over one of the principal roles in a few weeks.

Dutrained singer is a baseo and Control of the Control of the Control of the Control Courtey choir here. Parents took no steps to hinder his military career when he joined up at 16 after boosting his age.

'Carmen' Raves in N. Y. Even Surprises Mgt.: Can Break at \$14,500

Press plaudits accorded 'Carmen Jones' upon its debut at the Broad-way, N. Y., recently (Dec. 2) even rised the management, although the Billy Rose production was rated highly out of town and attendance was encouraging, though not indica-tive of a sure-fire click. It was the third time recently for a major attraction to receive rava notices Winged Victory' having preceded 'Carmen' to critical rhapsodies upon its premiere at the 44th Street. Ditto for 'Voice of the Turtle,' last week

its premiere at the 44th Street. Ditto fro 'Voice of the Turlle', list week at the Morosco.

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Cormen, 'which can break even at \$14,000 to \$15,000 to

NO FILM MONEY IN TODD'S 'MEX HAYRIDE'

There is no picture company hook-up as yet in Mike Todd's 'Mexican Hayride, although Paramount has been mentioned in this connection been mentioned in this connection Todd says he's indifferent about any need for br. because then I'm inhibited by budgets, etc., whereas now I'm exactly \$176,000 in the box for the musical and it's a clinch for \$200,000. I'll be one of those lush (get him) Broadway musicals, as of the good ole days, and if I had Holly-wood money maybe they'd start to

In Newark on Jan. 2 | Wincom Youman's revue, the history of which was a substitutely called 'Good Neighbor' and described as consisting of Cube Havos, White Young Cast features Bobby Clark, June Sadate Oopen at the Mossue, Mora, Chandra-Kaily Denorers, Edith Washington to follow. As yet no Broadway spoth has been secured. Revue, which will have another name, will have an orchest not 60. and one-hold washing the sound of the control of the sound of the control of the

Billy Rose, AFM Debate 'Carmen' Pay. Union Asks Higher Scale for 'Opera'

PAUL MOSS (N. Y. License Commissio

'Protecting the Public'

VARIETY'S

38th Anniversary Number (Post-War Show Business Edition)

Settle 'Johnny' Union Row, Philly

Philadelphia, Dec. 14. Marching With Johnny' almost didn't march onto the stage of the Erlanger this week because of a row between the house management and Local 77. Musicians Union.

Local 77, Musicans Union.

The local on Friday (10) notified bigwigs of the CIO-sponsored musical revue that the show could not open Monday (13) unless the theatre had signed a new contract with the union. The old one had expired Saturday (11).

William Goldman, who operates

Saturday (11).

William Goldman, who operates
the Erlanger, had balked at signing
a new pact with the tooters at the
terms laid down by them: a full
year's contract for a six-man orchestra whenever the Erlanger is

(Continued on page 53)

'Army Play By Play' Cast Back to Duty After Hub Boston, Dec. 14.

Boston, Dec. '14.

Soldier cast of 'Army Play by Play,' current at the Wilbur, returns to active military assignment following the run of the soldierauthored skits here on Dec. 18.

autnored skits nere on Dec. 18.

Show finishes seventh month of run in Boston, having meantime covered plenty of territory since it began its tour outside N. Y. in early September. Of the 60 men in the company, 28 are in the orchestra.

whether 'Carmen Jones', Broadway, N. Y., is grand opera in the second of
N.Y. TICKET BROKER UP ON SPECULATION RAP

Reports of gyping in theatre tickets for Broadway shows culminated Monday (13) in the arrest of Charles Moss, a downtown broker, alleged to have charged \$39.60 for four tickets to a show, boxoffice price of which was \$5.50 each. Excess over the legal premium and tax was eround \$15.

Sale for a Saturday night performance was made to a detective assigned by License Commissioner Paul Moss, no relative to the defendant, who operates Sussman's at 20 Broad street. Latter was in trouble earlier this season and his trouble earlier this season and his licefise was suspended, the commis-sioner indicating that his namesake bootlegged' tickets enyhow. The ticket man was held in bail of \$100 for hearing next Monday (20).

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It's alleged by visitors from out of town that they have been charged to the state of the st

some theatre party outfits.

None of the leading uptown agencies has been involved in gyping,
but it is known that one of the
smaller brokers has been summoned
to explain to the legit ticket code
enforcement board recent overcharging. It is the third or fourth tima
the board has been similarly in action this season.

Jess Smith Plans Chi, Det. Stands for N.Y. Flop

'Slightly Married' Coast comedy briefly shown on Broadway at the Cort early this season, has been acquired by Jess Smith, Hollywood agent, who tried his luck in N. Y. last winter with 'The Barber Had Two Sons,' another California 'find'

Two Sons, another California 'find' that also tarried a short time, at the Playhouse, N. Y. Married' was known on the Coast as 'Mother's Day,' Sam Blischoff was an Smed as producer there but when the play reached N. Y. Melville Burke was billed as stager, and presenter. Smith plans spotting the play in Chicugo and Detroit.

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Plays on Broadway

Voice of the Turtle

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Sally. The stars are flollywood re-patriates but the Coast isn't likely; to see the first council isn't likely; to the first council sole the season, spotted in what is now a most attractive theatre, the Minrosen hav-ing been completely refurbished by its new minagement.

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Play Out of Town

Storm Operation Baltimore. Dec. 13.

	prolog, two nets and epilog, by Maxwell.
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	tings Howard Bay, Opened at Marytand
	theater, Baltimore, Dec. 15, 43; 2722.
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And he ... Consider the safety Lose Vand Towns Maxwell Anderson has swerced and written a straight play about non and written a straight play about non and written a straight play about non and women under fee in actual volders and nurses facing death and destruction in the daily course of events maintain an inborn sense of the safety o

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uel Bronson.
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Jack Del Bondio.
'Listen Professor' — Milton Baron
Toni Ward, Jean Mulr.

Current Road Shows

'Abie's Irish Rose' - Plymouth,

Boston (15-29).

'Able's Irish Rose' (2d Cn.)—
Sheine Aud., Oklahoma City (15);
City' nd., Ponca City, Okla, (17);
Convention Ball, Tules (18); Arnadig,
Wiehita (20,21); Au., Salina, Kans.
(22); Kansas State Normal, Toteka

724).

· -. Wilbur.

Boston (15.

'Arsenic and Old Lace' 12d Co.)—
Cox. Cincinnati (15.18).

'Blackouts' of 1943' (vanile)—El
Capitan, Hollywood (15.25).

Blithe Spirit - Cass. etroit (15-

lossom Time'—Ford's Baltimore (15-18): Klein And, Bridgeport, Com, (20): Court Signare, Spring-field, Mass. (21-22): His Majesty's, Montreal (23-25).

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'Curtain Time' (vaude) - And. "Deugligirls", (2d Co.1—Colonial; Boston (15-25)

Doughgirls (3d Co.) - Erlanger, Buffalo (15-18)

Gilbert and Sullivan — National, Washington (15-25).

Good Night, Ladles — Blackstone, Chicago (15-25).

"Icecapades - Forum, Montreal (15

'Jackpot' - Forrest. Philadelphia (15-25). Jane Eyre - Metropolitan, Seattle

(15-18 Janle' Co.)-Civic, Chicago (15-181

'Junior Miss' - Temple, Tacomitis): Aud., Portland, Orc. -181.

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Iss and Fall: (2d Co.)—Harris.
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Philadelphia 115-25.

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Fiks and Faul: (3d Co.)—Curran,
San Francisco. (15-23.)

"Lady Come."—Nixon, Pittsburgh (15-18.): Walnut.
adelphia
(20-25).

(20-23). Life with Father (2d Co.)—State, Kaiamazoo (15): Paramouni, Toledo (15): Aud. Robester, N. V. (17): Marching With Johnny—Erlanger, Philadelphia (18-24). Muschan Hayride'—Shubert, Boston, (24-25) "permiere!. Oklahoma' (2d Co.)— Erlanger, Chicago (15-25). Chicago (15-25).

(23-25). William Boston (23-25). Patriots'—Lyric. Richmond 115). Patriots'—Lyric. Richmond 115). Playhouse, Wilmington (17-18). Porey and Bess. — Paramount, Porty and Bess. — Paramount, (16-17). Aud. Dallas (18-1). Aud. Dallas (18-1). Aud. Ballas (18-1). Sandsands Inn —Walnut, Philadelphia (15-18). Shakesneare.

ceipnia (15-18).

Shakespeare Repertory (John Carradine) — Biltmore, Los Angeles (15-18).

(15-18).

Sons o' Fun'—American, St. L'ouis (15-18). Cass; Detroit 120-25; 'Storm Operation'—Maryland, Bal-timore (15-18); Nixon, Pittsburgh (20-25):

(20-25):

"Student Prince" — Hanna. Cleve-land (15-18).

"Three's a Family (2d Co.)—Royal Alexandra, Toronto (15-18); Civic, Chicago (25).

sacco Road'-Lafayette. Detroit,

(15-25)

Tomorrow the World (2d Co.)— Selwyn, Chicago (15-25). Without Love.—Geary, San Francisco (15-25).

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For Broadway Shows

For Broadway Shows.

Fitsburgh, Dec. 14.

Two local amateurs, both of whom done considerable work in past have landed right side up in their stabs. at Broadway. They are Eranese McCube, who won consideration of the side of

he's done a coupie or statum ruses.

Miss McCabe left for New York of the state of

Flu Hits Show Biz

Other cases which caused stoppage Other eases which caused stoppage or rearraingement of schedules, were Bonita Granville in 'Arc These Our Children'. Claudette' Colbert, and Jennifer Jones in 'ince You West Away: Belte Davis in 'M. Skeffington' arbara Stanwyck, and Wrian Lone's in Gerennyich Wilack; Betty Rhodes in 'You Can't Ration Love'. Dien Farrow The Hitter Gant and Al Itall; 'Once Upon a Time,

B'way Legit Players Hit

Epidemic of influence is further af-fecting Broadway theatre attendance, which slimps seasonally before Christmas

Christinas.

Players in most shows have been forced to bed, hardly one current cast being without substitutes for that reason. N. Y. health authorities, have given no data on the epidemic, but in Philadelphia, over the werk-and, 100,000 coses were reported, and all other communities have reported similar disaffections.

Monday (13) was the 'worst' night of the season, boxoffices' reporting as nitch' as 50% in cancellations of tickets orderen.

Minrespolis, Dec. 14.
Coning during the pre-Christinas
period when business traditionally
is bad, the prepent flu epidemic is
hitting libeatic boxoftices. Neighbor-hood houses are taking it of the
none from the property of the pretion many Twin Clty subtrobus situations have dwindled. While the
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main at a surprisingly high level, all
things considered.

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Dr. F. E. Harrington, city health, commissioner, has issued a warning in the press for people to keep away from large gatherings.

Epidemie Nicks St.

St. Louis, Dec. 14.
An epidemic of flu in St. Louis and An epidemic of flu in St. Louis and vicinity has added to the woes of the flicket house operators who have been trying to stop the falling off of bo. activity since last September. The laying off of workers in defense plants, 10,000 in one, also Is an added contribiting (actor to shrinking b.o. arroses). Film row observers are still trying

Film row observers are still trying to figure out why bit has failen off without being able to reach a satisfactory of the still being able to reach a satisfactory of the still being a
While medical authorities have called the attention of natives to the danger of mingling in crowds, etc. the flu epidemic has not reached the stage where a ban on places of amusement will be ordered.

As in World War 1?

Defroit, Dec. 14.
With the influenza epidemic in the
midwest starting to shoot up to
World War I proportions, the anuscments biz is starting to sight the posstibility of a general shutdown similar to the 1917-18 period.

lar to the 1917-18 period.
While the current epidemie is not
of the serious nature of,
last war's many medicos are predicting
that it is preliminary to a more mapor form of the disease which probably will hit after the first of the
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and the properties of the properties of the
influencial which undoubtedly, would
call for a bar on public assembly for
several months.
Already public health officials in-

several months.

Aiready public health officials, in-cluding those in Michi an, are issu-ing warnings to the public to avoid crowds, to keep youngsters out of theatres, and recommending extreme care to prevent spread of the discuse, particularly in the key war centurs. Even the milder form of the discase has resulted in humerous deaths Even the milder form of the disease has resulted in humerous deaths here, with attendance in the war plants off 10-20% which has re-quired a few shutdowns and with a marked decrease in school attend-

Matinees Dented

The control of the co

for a week on Three Men in White' to the seasonal trend, theatre men at Metro.

to the seasonal trend, theatre men also gelieve a portion of the decline is due to the influenza isself and the public head of the health warnings. There is more than a prediction of the return of major influenza this year on the heels, of the so-called middle form, dust across the river amount of the properties of the so-called the properties of the propert

a serious form of the flu, and lastweek's death rate wais as high percapita from influenza as in the carly
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that wasn't the reason. WB deluxer wondered, too, whether perhaps? had over-sold, inatra, putting int public's inful that getting into the-atre would be tough.

arre would be fough.
Original estimates of the Sinatr
bix here ranged from \$40,000 to \$50.
One. They were based; no what he
did in Boston. In the Warner Bros.
office, in fact, they were makin
book on it. But unless somethin
sensational happens in the fact few
days, he won't do more than \$22,000.
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Yesterday (Mouday) Slanley dropped one seheduled show goin from seven ben Erday and Salurday. To sike Show the seven ben Erday and Salurday, to sik. Swooner didn't go to Steveberville. O., Sunday, as all olites shows which play the Stanley do, since he had a broadcast here at 7 n. m. Di an extra mindight show Sunday, however, and even that was off.

on.

Stanley didn't raise its prices for the Sindra eingacment, except for the Sunday midnighter, when discussold for \$1.10. sticking to its regular scale of 30-75c, although basically there was a titled tariff in that price change took place a couple of hours earlier at matinees and evenings than ordinarily

Everybody's trying to put a finger on why The Voice isn't doing it, and nobody's been able to come up with a satisfactory explanation.

Philly Looks to Truancy Philadelphia, Dec.

Philadelphia, Dec.
So scrious is the threat of widespread truancy in Philly schools during the week of Frank Sinatra's appearance at the Earle (starting Friday) that the Board of Education is

oay) that the Board of Education is huddling to devise means of com-bating student absenteeism. Add B. Anderson, secretary of the board, is calling a special meeting of his associates to discuss the Sinatra problem.

Sinatra's Hub Record

Boston, Dec.
Frank Sinatra's take from his appearance, last week here at the RICO.
Boston theatre amounted to about \$30,100. Total gross of approximately \$00,200 topped by almost \$8,000. The previous bio mark held by Eddie-Camlor.

Of the \$30,100, the net to the singer was somewhere around \$22,000, after paying off his show. Principal tier in the latter was the \$5,000 to Jan-Savitt's cortlestra, plus additional pay for extra shows.

Coast Operetta Sold

Hellywood, 14.

Arthur Guttman and Hans Salter, currently composing flur scores, sold their operetta, ienna Women and Music. Charles Hornstein for passible production on Broadway in spring.

B'way Legit B. O.

B'way's b.o. is the arrival of two outstanding clicks—'Carmen Jones' and The Voice of the Turtle.' 'Carmen' is the new gross leader and 'Turtle,' which bowed in last week, is sure thing after the raves the three-person comedy received from the critics.

thing exceptions of the second received critics.

Late fall's big money winners naturally include. Winged Victory, Moss Hart's drama about the Army Air Forces, a seliout all shows at the constant of the second received received the second received receive

Estimates for Last Week

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CD (Comedy)-Drama), R. (Reuse),

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A. Connecticut Yankee, Beek (4th),

week (16-1,24; 54,40). Eased off bit

cont of the holidays; rated around
\$22,500 inst week.

\$22,500 last week.

'Angel Street,' Golden (105th week)
(D-789; \$3.30). One night missed last
week when three leads were Süfferlog with heavy colds; dipped to
around \$7,000 on week.

around \$7,000 on week.

"Another Love Story," Fulton (9th
week), (C-988; \$3.30). Slated through
January and may stick longer; estimated around \$9,000; production in
which around \$9,000; production in
"Areanie and Old Laee," Hudson
(IS3d week) (CD-1094; \$3.30). Off
with the field, particularly the run
shows; rated around \$7.500; about
even break but should recover after

'Carmen Jones,' Broadway (2d week) (O-1,900; \$4.40). Quoted close to \$40,000, which tops Broadway; matinees somewhat off but nights virtual capacity.

virtual capacity.

Early to Bed, Broadhurst (28th week) (M-1,160; 34.40). Should play through winter: off to around \$20,000.

"Harriet, Miller (32d week) (D-940; \$3.85). Holdover an outstander last season, still in the money though affected; over \$15,000; three matinees weekly...

"Janie, Mansfield (65th week) (C-1.001: \$3.30). Has tapered of late, like other long stayers but claimed to be bettering even break; \$7,500.

Wiss and Tell, Billmore (38th week) (C-920; \$3.30). Only hit with three road companies out; all are making money; original not selling out all times but excellent; nearly \$15.000.

Life With Father, Empire (211th week) (D-1,082; \$3.30). Easing off in pre-holiday slide but at quoted \$11,400 run leader turned in another

"Lovers and Friends.' Plymouth (2d week) (D-1,075; \$3.85). Maintained starting capacity pace and was quoted well over \$22,000; top gross

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Dec. 27.

'The Voice of the Turtle,' Morosco (1st week) (CD-955; \$3.30). Opened Wednesday (8), and with two paid previews the takings in seven times were \$16,000; new comedy hit can gross over \$21,000 and should score that mark from now on; accorded rave notices.

morrow the World, Barrymore

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In 2d Wash. Week

(3th week) (D-1084; \$3:30). Midweek) bulkers affected of late, capecially at matiness; estimated around \$13,000; still quite okay.

(19th week) (R-112; \$3.30). May be regarded as a freak by some first nighters; including the erities, but seek of the late of
\$25,00. last week,

"Merry Widow," Majestic (19th
week) (O-1,095; \$3.30). Won back
production cost in first 10 weeks, and
should play on velvet through season, off but profitable; around

should play on velvet through eas-ground for profitable; around 21,238,330, School vacations dur-10.0 their Stubert (Th. week) (D-1238, 83,30). School vacations dur-stronger; amazing business for Shakesparera Irangedy, slated into hare; oneselv; \$23,000. a successor hare; oneselv; \$23,000. a successor (CD-2,608, 81,65). Revived by John Coden as courtesy to new civic en-terprise; Gertrude Lawrence starring as originally; stated for one week.

'DOUGHGIRLS' PACES **HUB WITH \$14,000**

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by the Seniate, but usually such action by any one Seniato is stopped
quickly.

How much attendance will be affected by the doubling of the present
but ways and means of counteracting
such a situation, should a downward
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VARIETY 'Patriots' Fine \$20,000

In 2d Wash. Week
The Patriots in its second week
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July Marianne.

Philly Biz Drops; 'Jackpot' \$21,000

Philadelphia, Dec. 14.
After a very healthy stretch since
the early-September opening of the
season, legit biz fell off sharply last
week after having shown indications
of drooping during the previous
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Last week's leader, by a wide margin, was the new Vinton Freedley in the standard of t

top. Notices were all generally favorable for more outstandingly enweek by a grand or two, skidded off
when the standard of two skidded off
ended up with a disappointing \$4000 for its fourth week at the Louis
and is now emphasizing last week;
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'Spirit' Smart \$16,000 In Nifty Cleveland

November was a record-cracking month for the Hanna, which grossed nearly \$150,000 on its last seven legit with the property of the lagest semesters.

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Coldman maintained that he had leased the Evaluager to be operated as a filmer (he now has pending a suit for \$1.350,000 against the major distribes in an effort to get film product). He was willing, he said, to sign a contract with Local 77 for sign a contract with Local 77 for sign a contract with Local 77 for sign a contract with Local 78 for sign and the contract with Local 88 for sign and the

(The tix are being sold through local unions.) The unions. The unions of the union of the un

'Abie' 7G, St. Louis

Abie 7 G, St. Louis St. Louis Dec 14. stores, etc., and too early a return consistency and too early a return Nichols' Abie's Irish Rose' (2d company), which wound up a one-week, stand at the American theatre Satwester and the American theatre Satwester and the standard opposite of the standard opposite oppos

Xmas Lull Doesn't Dent 'Oklahoma' In Chi, \$30,000, 'Honeymoon' \$6,100 Usual letdown around Christmas an incked most grouse, only exceptions as a contract of the con

Eves' Closes in Detroit. 15G; 'Road' Nice \$8,300

10th, Road Nice 20,000 Detroit, Dec. 14.

Going into the pre-chiristnas season Detroit; printo stary health or
engagement here, came into the Case
last week under the Guide subscripleat week of the Guide Start
Making its third dip into Detroit,
Making its third dip into Detroit,
Making its third dip into Detroit,
Making its third the Lafayette with \$3,000 in the first week
at the \$1.85 Course.

'Prince' 20G, Pitt

FINCE ZOU, FILL

"Student Prince" a wow at Nixon
last week. Show got around \$20,000
at \$2.75 top for biggest gross the
operetta has ever hung up around
operetta has ever hung up around
ments. Topped take of its sistererival, Blossom Time, which
played town couple of months ago,
around 310 togit house is now
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booked and the property of the property week) (1,000; \$2.75). Eased off to \$14,000. 'Unexpected Honeymoon,' Great Northern (3d week) (1,400; \$2.75), Made slight gain to \$8,100.

'Blossom Time' 9G, N. H.

OFF AT \$10,000 IN L.A.

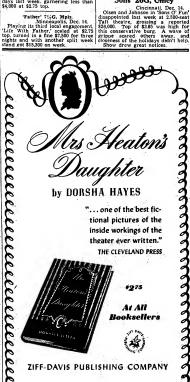
Billmore patrons are finding, John
Carradine and his Shakerape no belte stated in the state of the Blossom I Ime '945, N. H.

Revival of 'Blossom Time' drug
boff biz to Shubert last weekend (911), getting an estimated \$9,000 on
This week has preem of Ruth Godon's 'Over 21' (16-18), and next
week relig another tryout when
South Pacific' hits town for Xmaw
weekend '26-29). Third break-in in
Marianne' spreads its wings.

'FAMILY' 4G, BUFFALO
Buffalo, Dec. 14.
'Three's a Family' evoked only
mild b.o. interest at Erlanger in three
days last week, garnering less than
\$4,000 at \$2.75 top.

'Sons' 26G, Ciney

CARRADINE'S BARD PAYS OFF AT \$10,000 IN L. A.



OBITUARIES

JERRY SHEA.

Jereminh Liberty) Shea, widely,
known in vaudoville circles for nearly half a centurly, died Dee, 33 is his
mome in Toxonic after being 'ill for
eight montits. In esseciation with
his elder brother, Mike, he operaticistity, where the two helped to littcistity, where the two helped to littcistity, where the two helped to littvaudeville to a form of clean-famlity entertainment.

They moved live discussed in 1800
drag. The opening bill headained
Mortgomery and Stone. Jerry Shea
dayed on to handle the Gemedian
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nourished there for 16 years until 1920.

Just before the outbreak of World War 1, a third thebite. Shead High Carlot and the property of the theory of City Hall in Toronto. This, too, was taken oncy by Famou Players a deci-de ago, and is now a picture house. The was managine of death. Through his life he was a sarriel ensor of any act playing his the-aires. Al Monday morning reheat-ensor of any act playing his the-aires. Al Monday morning reheat-ensor of the played them of the dictated whispered instructions as a world lines or business should end what lines or business should some out. He played them all at a tran-today, and his seruphooks are a cav-aleade of great transes of past any time of the played them of the time of the world was a some time of the world was a some later of the world ways through the

extra \$10 or \$30 in the pay envelope at the end of the week.
Jerry Shea shways thought the theatre was a place tor live entertainment; and he fought films to live every can do would not a fairly the show the sh

EDGAR ALLAN WOOLF
Edgar Allan Woolf, 62, playwright
and screen sgenaris, died Dec. 9 at
his home. In Hollywood.
Woolf, born in New York, displayed his limited the Columbia
University variety show in JohaUniversity variety show in JohaHolly agraduating from Columbia, luHarry graduating from Columbia, luHill stock company. W. Y. Laler, he
ill stock company. W. Y. Laler, he
mostly, via valude sets and playlers
Lonel Atvill, Mrs. Pat Campbell
and others.

woolf was prolific in his writings woolt was promine in his writings, for vaude in that lush era when vehicles were written to order for stars from legit or films-taking oc-casional fliers, in vaude, sharing-honors with such other profific writers of stage material as Edwin writers of stage material as Edwin Burke, And Rice, Jack Lait, Paul Gerard Snith. Tom Barry, the late Aaron Höffman, among others. In this era the trademark of the established vaude writers was almost as important as the 'name' stars with the bookers. It was an additional guarantee for a long route for the star or just?

the bookers, was greated as long route for the guarantee for a long route for the guarantee for the concentrating on vanide selectives. Wood subcord three full-length legits, the library which premiered on the high the selection of the control of the farry. Than-Stanford while three for the high to the Harry Than-Stanford while three for the high to fine the hipself for the Vamplice and she librarile for the opportunity flower of the Warney March 1991. We Savage: Most pretentions of 1 is water with the same should be supported to the sa

MAY BEEGLE

May Beegle, S, one of the country's best-known concert managers the dictation of Pittsburgh's tastes in better music, died there Dec. 8 after an illuess of more than a year, Nationally famed as an impresario, Miss Beegle, first entered the field her followed for more than a quarter

of a century as secretary to William Mosman, manager of the old Pittsburg Orchestra, which was directed at that time by the late bard of the state of the control of the co

MRS. HELENE CRAVEN Mrs. Helene Craven, 83, widow of the late. Walter Craven, and hierself a veteran actress, died Dec. 13 in the McKinney, Nursing Home, Youkers,

McKennes, Nursing Home, Yonkers, N. Y.
Mrs. Craven was born in Lendon and made her first stage appearance with subor Theatre. Commis to the Valued States in 1887 she acted with E. H. Solhern in Lord Chunley at the Cold Zivenum Theatre. On 4th, Avenue, and shortly after berains a new control of the Same Order and the Same Order of the Same Order and Same Order of the Same Organization. Later she played with Blanch Bates and supported the Late Control of the Same Organization and Same Order of the
at the Tivoli and Aleazar Theatres, San Francisco. She entered the Ac-tors Fund Home in Englewood, New Jersey, in 1929.

Funeral services under the au-spices of the Actors' Fund will be held today (Wed.) at Walter Cooke's Funeral Chapel, New York City.

Funeral Chapel, New York City.

Al EUWARDS

Al Edwards, 10, veteran performer who had been in vaudeville for moce than haif a century, died in New York Dee, 10 dater a bruf linear york of the performer with the performer with the performance of the performance of the National Vaudeville Arbeit NYA, Officialed, editional Vaudeville Arbeit NYA, Officialed, editional vaude career as member of a quartet known as the vauder circuits in the U.S. and abroad. After dissolution of the quartet the continued in vaude with a darbard. After dissolution of the quartet the continued in vaude with criteria in 1847 when elected vice-wards. Webb and Emmeralda, Il terured in 1847 when cleated vice-work of the performance of t

GEORGE COOPER.
George Cooper 51, film actor
37 years, died Dec. 9 in Veteral
Mospital. Sawfelle, Cal., after
three-year illness.

three-year illness.

Former stock player in Newark and New York: Cooper entered microstries with Vitagraph in 1908 and played for a time in Mack Sement comedies. In silent days he had promitten roles and continued as a promitten after the property of the prominent roles and continued as a character actor when sound game in, Among his later pictures were Colden Boy. Too Man's Husbands and Meet Boston Blackie.

In private "Me he was George Cooper Healey. Surviving are his widow, two sons. w in the Navy, and two daughters.

CHABLES GASKELJ.
Charles L. Gaskell. 74. actor. director and producer in the silent film out, died Dec. 9 at his home in Los Angeles after a heart attack. With Vitagraph in 1915, he directed the first motion picture based on the life of Cleopatra. He had been inactive in 1915 no years.

city after a long illness. Weintraub had been an Invalle for some time, and right, before his passing suffered the amputation of a sebond leg. At one time Weintrauto womed several houses in Coraopolis, Pa., and later was a paritier of Authony F. Jim. in a Kittanning enterprise. Jim in a Kittanning enterprise. His son, Dr. Fred S. Weintraub, who survives, managed the Kittanning the

CHARLES FERRIS

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Charles Ferris, 48, Southern Illinois salesman for United 'Artists, del and two first in St. Louis, safet of large strategy and the salesman for the salesman for the salesman for the salesman for the forest of the salesman for th UA in January, 1942. widow and a b and a brother survive

HARRY KORN,
Ilarry Korn, 33, who was settive in
Detroit theatres and for many years
manager of the Madison theatre, ied
Dec. 4 in Tueson, Ariz., where he
went recently improve a heart
ailment. He leaves widow and a son,
Jaroold Korn, operator at the Monrec Detroit.

CHARLES BELCHER
Charles M. Belcher, pioneer screen actor, died Dec, al. his home in Hollywood where he had lived for 28 years. As a character player he, appeared with Douglas Fairbanks; Rudolph Valentino and diber sters of the sitent are other stars of the silent era.

M. HYMES
M. E. Hymes, owner and manager of the Grand Opera House in Buckhamon: W. Va., for more than 25 years, died at his home there, Nov. 25.
Harry Hymes, a son; managed the theatre during his father's illness:

ALAN DAVIS

ALAN DAVIS
Alan Davis, 42 film actor, died
Dec. 11 in Veterans Hospital, West
Los Angeles.
Leaves a widow, Peggy Shannon,
film actress.

Mrs. Harry J. Michalsen, mother-in-law of Eddie Ashkins. St. Louis manager for United Artists, died in Pittsburgh. Her husband is short stibjects salesmanager for RKO in Pittsburgh.

Mrs. William R. Wheai, Jr., wife of the veteran Pittsburgh exhibitor, died at her home in Sewickley, Pa, recently. Her husband and a son recently. Her husba

Jonathan H. Smith, 42. agent and business manager for film players, died Dec. 8 in Hollywood after a short illness.

Margaret Flynn, 84, mother of J. E. Flynn, western sales manager for Metro, died in Cleveland, Dec. 8.

Joseph Herbert Reed, 50, died in San Antonio, Texas, on Dec. 8. Ho was owner of the Reed Film Service

Mother, 78, of Margaret Speaks singer, died in Columbus, O., Dec. 6

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MARRIAGES

Mary Beth Highes to Ted North, Los Angeles, Dec. 12. Bride is a screen actress: groom, former film player, is an ensign in the Navy. Edna D'Ascerzio to Sgf. William Voddi, Pittsburgh, Dec. 4. Bride is-nitery singer known professionally as Sandra.

as sancia.

Mary Ellen Smith to Sgt. Karl G.
Eagle, Pittsburgh, Dec. 10. Groom
is the son of Charlie Eagle, manager
of WB's Stanley theatre it Pitt.
Evelyn Gertrude Landers to John
Wengraf, Hollywood, Dec. 5. Groom
is screen actor

Wengraf, Hollywood, Dee. 5. Groom is sergen settor.
Lella Prom Li. Harold Mertill Lella Prom Li. Harold Mertill Lella Prom Li. Harold Sergen The Bride is active in Little The-tand Crice Opera groups in that elty. Claise Marr to Robert Heasily, Bevery, Hills. Dec. 7. Bride is a film setter, now an avaition instructor. Marguerite Adele Ossanna to James C. Silvion. Dec. 11, Minnespolis. Bride is radio actress; groom is pro-central divident the Blice instruction.

RIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Charles-Boyer, son, Hollywood, Dec. 10. Mother is Pat Patierson, of stage and sereen; Eather the film star. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Monter, daughter, Hollywood, Dec. 10 Father is a partner in the Monter-Grey ascriev.

agency.
Mr. and Mrs. Ben M. Cohn, daughter. Johannesburg. South Africa.
Father is managing director of Metro Cinema there.

Cowdin, Post-War

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earnings. is is the 'white collar' class of business. From June 1940 to, June, 1942 there were 273,000 fms. mostly small businesses, which went out of business, an average of about 430 coch working day.

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The next step in building a sound pois-war tax program should be a simplified income, iax-system. This should be so simplified income, iax-system. This should be so somite that any individual or corporation need to be sound to be soun

agricultural prices without a resulting higher national income.
Earlier Cowdin Stated that 'the
greatest single deterrent to free
reported the state of the state of the
business economy, to production and
therefore to jobs, is taxes. No one,
including industry, objects to reasonable taxes. Industry expects to bear
life full share of the war expense.
There is not the dightest possibilities however that industry can continue to bear the present tax burden upon the essation of war and do the job of production which will insure employment for our men and women in the armed forces and the other millions now engaged in war work.

Balaban's Gift

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tieed Americans freedom of religion, speech, press and assembly. Pending installation in the Library of Congress the valuable manuscript has bgen loaned by Balaban to the Book and Author War Bond committee to be used in its patriotic rally Jan. 28. Arrangements for this were, inact through Chairman Mark Van Doren, Julian P. Boyd, Princeton University liberatar, Carl Van Doron and Dr. Rosenbach.

Liquor Shortage

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Year's Eve. Requests ran from 50c to \$4, most of the niteries asking for 350 cover; to State OPA director Lawrenice, 3. Bresnshan, the cover charges as well as prices for food and drink, will remain close to last year's tevel. Slight increases, may be allowed its some instances 'to cover increase of move of the state of the stat

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Mich. Prices Detroit.

There is going to be no pricing in Michigan nitries this New Year's Eve II the Iaid down in Grand Rapids by the OPA is made general for the State, which is likely.

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William Vanderloop, district price
executive for the OPA, held that
niteries could charge only up to 107
more than previous prices to cover
the increased costs of food and entertainment on New Year's Eve.

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Administration last weekend recentred its ruling against albournsented its ruling against albournsented its ruling against albourncontrol of the price of the pric

Continued liquor shortuge drawing the lines still lighter locally in the dispensaries. Short line age, town's teading holet. The William Penn, and two drinks of either froe section, two drinks of either froe section, two drinks of either froe section. Local week Pilisburgh's No. 1 into dis existence strong any one evening. Last week Pilisburgh's No. 1 into dis existences they could have none of the hard stuff at all agreement of the hard stuff at all agreements. Some the Countries of the section of the hard stuff at least stuff and the section of the hard stuff at large the downstains. Grill or own

Minneapolis, Dec. 14.
Employees of many local night-clubs, Nere are earning bonises by bringing a bottle or more of whiskey to work with them each day.
Most of the night-clubs here have sufficient stokes and are not running their inventories and be aure to have plenty on hand for New. Year's eve and thereafter II the situation grows worse.

and thereafter It the situation grows worse. New Year's eve prices for the town's own swankiest supper chits, the Hotel Nicollet's Minnesota Ten-race and the Hotel Radisons's Flame-Room, are slightly up from last year. At each spot they're \$9 error become and the state of the s

Broadway

Jim Sauter bedded with the flu. Al Sindlinger bedded by flu at his Al Sindinger bedded by nu at his Jersey home.
Al Butler is ahead of second road company of Blossom Time.
Harry Kaufman, much under weight, planed to Florida Friday

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manuser for Warners back from Mot Springs, vasani, didto, the Jack L. Sid Brod, production manager for, Lames Cangety, due in N. Y. from Jack L. Sid Brod, production manager for, a lo-day visit.

Eleanor Wells leaves this week for Sanders' A dirama. She's the wife of Bliff W. Wells, author, detailed the Wells Leaves of the W

on Billy Rose the title of the little mousetre.

Lillian Jepkins, assistant publicity and the property of the

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liott McManus, slated to become that branch manager for 20th-in Panama, has received his port after weeks of waiting and cd for there yesterday Tues-

planed for there yesterany day!

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weeks ago to join United Artists in jubilicity.
Friends of Eugene Newman, for 14 years in the field auditing division of Par's theatre department, hosted at luncheon Friday (10), chairmanied by C. J. Oswald. Newman left that day for Fort Dix, N. J., to begin active, duty after being in the Signal Corps cullsted reserves for a year.

oury after being in the Signal Corps culisted reserves for a year. Leonard H. Goldenson, v.p. of Par in charge of theatre operations; Sam Dembow, Jr., v.p. of Par Theatres Service Corp, and Bob Weitman, managing director of the N. Y. Par, plus Harry Levine of the Par stage booking department, are back from the Coast.

run.
Roscoe Ails headlining new show at Trelon with Johnny Gallis, local Singer.

Dancer Virginia Ray back to the Villa Madrid for third time in six

anniversary as a local newspaperman on Dec. 21.

In the contraction of the contract of the drums for new Maxwell Anderson Maximizer Three times to the contract of the contrac

Miami

More opened at the Olympia.
Dacida opened at Monie Carle
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Gloria Van and Al Nobel, are at
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has Rajah Raboid. Gale Sultan and the Drumette Lovelies, a line of dancing gals. Sultan and the sultan and the sultan son) appearing at Jimmies on the Trail has been signed for the new George White's 'Scandals'. Perfect weather, temp in the 70s, much sunshine and immense crowds are making Greater Miami seem al-most pre-war. In activity.

- Philadelphia

Alan Gale and his daughter.

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Rebecca. 3, are ailing.

Ben Gimbel, WIP prexy, slated for a foot operation at the Temple hospital

pital.
George Hooper, WIBG engineer named transmitter supervisor at the station. station.

Jack Steck, WFIL p.a., hit by grippe and had his car stolen within

grippe and had his car stolen within Act aw nitrogy, the Copacabaia, made its bow Tuesday (7) with a press party. Command the Market aw nitrogram of the Corner from the Army, is new F-M announcers at WPEN. New secretary at the AGVA office is June Carroll, once secretary to Joe McGrath, vet orchestra leader, is taking over the Collins & Phillipp hooking office with young George Phillipp due to be inducted shortly.

Dunning In Rio

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So in Pinnama. has received his suspent after weeks of waiting a mean of the more year and the surprise of the property of the

VARIETY London

Novelist E. M. Delafield seriously Diana Chase (illing and) Infan-

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week's rest by dectors and now in
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university College hospital after
weeks in Leatherhead hospital with
internal trouble.
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Knigs College hospital after operation in which he had one of his toes.
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tion.
Eddie Gray, one of the stars in Lack Hylton's 'Hi-de-Hi,' who is on the reserve, likely to be called for service shortly after several defer-

service shortly after several deter-babby Which (and Marion) sinced for comedy role in Soinething for the Boys, which opens at the Klugs, prior to London. While come to the While or route to fulfill engage-with a company of the company of the while or route to fulfill engage-this with the prior to the content with say of the girls deflained in Neumatice hospital. While the con-trained with the company of the Parisianne's habe been shelved until February, owing to general theater and transport problems.

February, owing to general theatre stump the to weather, early bleckout stump the to weather, early bleckout Jack Hylton would like to do daily maintees with Hide-Bil. We him Flaungan and Alten revue at Stolfs, or him to be supposed to indea as it is against policy of house, is opposed to indea as it is against policy of house, is opposed to when as it is against policy of house, is opposed to when the sumporarily filled since the conditional by the State, post which he has temporarily filled since the death of Bernard Welfer. He has condifferent papers, also for the BBC. Genigan Devers has visited the general policy of the sum of

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variety show at the Nacional. office

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titled 'Mitythm of the Marcaes.'

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auditurium in a p.a. under the spousorship of the Civic Music League. Harry C. Arthur, Fr. David G. Arthur and Les Kaufman, Fanchou & Marco execx. will represent motion picture industry in the Fourth War Bond drive in this vicinity.

Mexico City

Bing Crosby's dises are best sellers. Tin-Tan "German Valdez", newest scal stage comedian, on radio at sla-

Russell Birdwell, ex. ing Carol's publicity man, back from a business trip to the U. S. irip to the U.S.

And Maria Gonzules, radio tolk singer, signed by the Blue of Havona for six months.

vana for six months.

Absalon Petez, singer, booked for
Havma radlo, four half-hour rograms covening a month.

Aguila Spiers (2) and Mario Alberto Rodriguez, radlo singers; on a
donated concent tour of Army camps.

Miguel Zacarius readying a revival of 'Maria' 'Mary'l, pic based u no the pop Mexican novel of the same title.

Newsprint shortage being fell by the frontline dailies here. Some have had to merge sections and cut down.

have had to merge sections and cut the Letter is new manager of station XEDN, government mouth-prices the formerly ran XEDN, and the section of the section at the Cine Magerit, flist-run einema. Pedro Vargas, radio tenor, signed for dates in Cuba starting in January. He will be accompanied by Jose Aguieros. Both will play the HRC radio web in Havana for two months. In April they will go to Venezuela.

Venezuela.

Yenezuela.

Javid T. Bamberg, the young Eng-lishinan who as Fu, Manchu has a standard magic act in Latin America, tobbed of paper used in a show he is giving at the Cine Insurgentes, local clinena, by two boys who told the police they couldn't resist steal-ing the magic stuff.

Minneapolis By Les Rees

M-G holding office Christmas party

Lynn Keens into Prom Ballroom or two-nighter.

for two-nighter.

Joe Poretta orchestra back at Hotel
Addisson Flame Room.

Hy Chapman, Columbia branch
manager, another flu victim.

M. A. Levy. 20th Fox district manager, to New York-for sales confer-

ager, to New York for sales conferrance.

Tammy Reysolds bain circuming.

to Happy Hour intery for six weeks
following Tray, Hill.

FRY, Dressel and Pred Finnegan.

FRO branch, manage and head

George Miner, and ericuit owner,

putting up offer building next to nis

Rice Lake Wiss, theater.

Jim friends, tosses party as

Tymer friends, tosses party as

Tymer friends, tosses party as

Tymer friends.

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'Escapist Pix' Continued from page 4

squawks—send more escapist films.

te know about the war.

My section, Division Special Serv-Minister and Minister Section Section Service, is expected to keep service beg to the activities of the world. With swell guys like Cress Courtney of William Morris. Reg Marshall of Prederick Bros. Paul. Kennedy of Green Services Service

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Hollywood

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Veta Bulletine,
divorce suit.

Everett Riskin,
laid up with flu.

C. J. Tevlin named treasurer of
Lester Covan Productions.

Metro inusic ap-

Kay Thomson, Metro inusic au-Andy Devine absolved in a \$15,000 damage suit resulting from a motor collision.

collision.

D. A. Doran, Columbia producer, returned to, work after losing, his appendix appendix and appendix
die fur six weeks of USO-Camp Show Jouring. Dr. Francis Geiffin in from New York to Spend the holidays with his Vark to Spend the holidays with his Grace McDonald, sereen actress, announced her belt uthal to Capt. G. F. Sorgatz, Arays flyer. Memorial ceremonies for the late Max Reinhaudt, will be held tomos-tow Thurs? at Wilshire Beell thea-wer Thurs? at Wilshire Beell thea-

liver Hardy won a court decision, de-de ving his former wife an increase a limony, now amounting to \$10,300 a year. A. Klune resigned as production manager of Vanguard after eight years with David O. Sclanick.

Australia

By Rric Gerrick

Gilbert-Sullivan revivuls cilckin
for Williamson-Pait in Sydney
Annette Kellerman gontinues her
good work by staging shows for the
various military hospital.

Twoli vaude-revue circuit sending
additional units to play camps and
civil construction works farout
areas. By Eric Gerrick.

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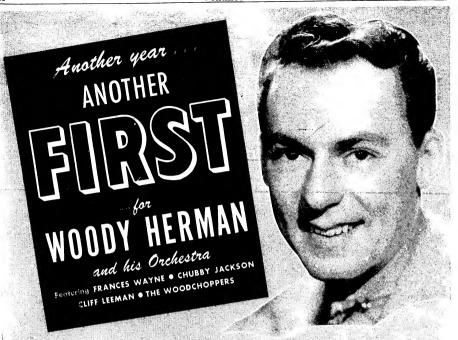
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1942

Woody Herman and his Orchestra became the first band in the history of the Paramount Theatre to play for seven consecutive weeks.

1943

The Woody Herman Orchestra sets a precedent in being the first attraction in Paramount history to be held over through entire show and picture change.

Our sincerest thanks to Bob Weitman and Harry Levine for having made this possible and to Harry Romm for a million and one other things.

1944

The New Year finds Woody and the boys returning to Hollywood for another feature picture, this time for United Artists watch for their new Decca releases.

General AMUSEMENT CORPORATION

MUSIC

STAGE

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Fuzz Raised on Net Biggies When **Erring Comics Lapse Into Profamity**

Hollywood, Dec. 21.

Notice has been served on comics by network censors that unless they carefully a sure of the control of t

Air-Minded Detroiters Fingerpoint at Films' Aeronautical Fluffs

Detroit, Dec 21.

Hollywood's film-cutters better take a course in plane spotting. The local managers are rocking their heads following the Saturday matinees and are taking their pens in hand in flocks to write to the studios asking if they don't know that a generation of plane experts has grown

eration of plane experts has grown by the control of the control o

A typical case was following 'Cor-A typical case was following Cor-regidor, where after the first Satur-day matinee the manager's office in one nabe was stormed by a dozen or more kids. They wanted to know (Continued on page 48)

Appropriate Theme

Hildegarde thought fast at the Hotel Plaza's Persian Room, N.Y.,

Hotel Piaza's Persian Room, N.Y.. recently when a femme ringsider's well caught fire from her own careless cigaret. The songstress saw it, helped extinguish it, and then dedicat-ed a song. 'Smoke Gets in Your Fyes' to the (naturally) some-what flustered patron.

Tempus Fugit Dept.

Broadway, after the war, will be a trolleyless street. Broadway Asso-ciation plans to do away with the car lines and put in busses post-bellum to facilitate traffic along the main stem.

Tracks will be ripped up from 42d to 125th St.

B'way Fakers Have Much To Learn From Fakirs. Says B'way P.A. Now GI By CPL. PAUL BENSON

By CFL. FAUL BENSON
Somewhere In India.
Broadway fakers have a lot to
learn. The boys back home could
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kidding, everything is say high, For
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goods. On boy, for those A&P and
James Butler stores.

This country is film mad. In ad-

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This country is film mad. In addition to being terrific fans for the American films. India has a swell large modern studies in Bombay and the camera, sound and technical large modern studies in Bombay and the camera, sound and technical have far close to the films are musicals. Favorite stars have fan cluss, like Joan Crawford or Lana Turner in the States, with including the star of the films are musicals. Favorite stars, and the star control of the

of the film stars use their last name, a la Garbo. Incidentally she's a tre-mendous favorite here. Some of the ace directors are: Daitin Bose, Sadiq, Sunnya and

Daitin Bose, Sadiq, Sunnya and Chandra.

The American film favorites are: Garbo, Ginger Rogers, Cary Grant, Clark Gable and Lana Turner. Alan Ladd's career here is zooming up as it did in the States.

They like American musicals and

(Continued on page 25)

FILLS LAUGH GAP VIA ANNOUNCERS

Quiz Shows Most Prolific Springboard for Gabbers-Turned - Funsters - Edwards, John Reed King. Hawk Now Among Ace Comedy Personalities

THE EASY WAY

The radio industry in recent onths has been taking cognizance months has been taking cognizance of the development of an entire new school of comedians from the ranks of former air announcers. With the common control of the control of the common control of the control of the control of the common control of the control of t of the development of an entire new

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12-Year-Old Character Out of 'Father' in D.C. As Bow to Child Labor Law

Bow to Child Labor Law
Meshington, Dec. 21.

"Life With Father has been rewritthe by Russel Crouse and Howard P.
Lindsay to conform to the District of
Columbia child labor law. The 12has been erased from the script. The
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and Harry Bannister.

Crouse and Linday investigated
the prospects of having the D.C.
child labor law revised. They decided that the comedy would be
barred from Potomac ahores if the
statute to permit actors under 14
years. Congressman Jennings Randolph, chalirman of the D.C. committee and a good friend of the legitimate theatre, told them that
of the quee on. They then made
their decision, to change the script

Show Biz Heartens Boys in Camps. Wounded, in Greatest Xmas Pitch

GI's Gimmick

Washington, Dec. 21.
Pvt. Ernest Henderson, at Fort
Devens, Mass, collected a heavy bet
the other day when he wagered he
could swallow a bayonet . . and did it with ease.

It wasn't till later that he broke down and told the suckers he had toured the U. S., Europe and South America as Don, Avarro, professional sword swallower.

N.Y. Literary Agents More 'n' More in Driver Seat As Regards Pix

New York literary agents have become the spoiled durlings of picture post of the post of the post seeson, coving to the sharper bidding and great dearth of suitable studio material. In contrast to the somewhat brusque treatment accorded most literary agents on the Coast their eastern conferess are repost.

reps.

One of the chief reasons for the greater relative importance of the literary agent in the east is that picture companies are by no means the most important outlets for agents in New York, while picture companies are the main story buyers in Holly-wood.

are the main story overstanding spents, getting from \$20,000 to \$50,000 for a four-part magazine sertification (\$10,000 and up for new writers), and \$5,000-\$7,500 for mag short stories by new writers, are more sought after than seeking, must make it their business to cultivate the agents rather than vice the second services of the second services of the second services of the second services are more sought after than vice the second services of the second second second services of the second
One eastern agent with a stable of only four writers is reported netting (Continued on page 49)

Show business this week is putting the final touches to one of the most ambitious. Christmas, good-will pitches in the history of the entertainment. Industry, From Molysten and the control of the contr

(Continued on page 16)

Daily's Error on Paper 'Kills' Ads for 10 Days

NIIIS Ads for 10 Days

Chicago, Dec. 21.

Due to miscalculations, on newsprint use last control of the chicago bally News is dropping all advertising, except amusements and death notices, for 10 days commenting Thursday (23). During this period the News will issue a 16-page period, the News will see a 16-page period the News will see a 16-page control advertising will be re-sumed.

George Hartford, advertising mar ager, estimates paper will lose 200,-000 lines during the 10-day period.



General Flu Still On Rampage In H'wood: Suspect Secret Weapon

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into anti-algeria; quan via die cassa-into anti-algeria; quan via de cassa-peramount reports an 8% perion; nel disability as a result of the sec-ond weeler states and other studies are allowed up by verying degrees and prominent Veltims, not included in earlier listings, are July Garland, John Garsled, Pet O'Brien, Al Hall, John Garsled, Pet O'Brien, Al Hall, barr Stanwyck; Me. J. Siegel; Edward Killy, Ronald Colman, Mickey Rooney, Arthur Freed, Loon Sharn-ory, Samuel S. Hinds, Jack Carrion, James Billion, Van Johnson, Howard Fillbrick, George Pal, and hundreds James Ellison, van Johnson, Howard Philbrick, George Pal, and hundreds of bit players, extras and technicians. In the publicity departments the boys are so busy turning out flu stories that the germs can't catch up with them.

Jean Collins 11th-Hr. Find For Show After Grace Morgan's Death

Grace Morgan's Death Concess Morgan's Fatal planes from the 18th Morgan's fatal planes for the fatal planes for th

ner.

According to police investigation,
Miss Morgan told her husband,
Harry Fox, New York manager of
the Calvert Distilling Corp., that she
felt ill. She left the living room and
a short time later her body was
found. She was 32.

Sad Tale of a Comic Who Binged and Bounced

Who Binged and Bounced
Hollywood, Dec. 31.
Nitery crowd is leiching around a fine of the second of t bottled cheer.
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20TH RENEWS SPIVAK: 2D FILM IN SPRING

Charile Spivak's orchestra has been renewed by 20th-Fox and the band will return to Hollywood in April or May to go into a second film production. Renewal is for two more films in all. Spivak's first film, with Betty Grable, tilled "Pinup Girl," will be released early next year.

year, or accepting 20th's renewal Spivak had to check with the studio that he wouldn't be ordered west within the next eight weeks. Band opened at the Pennsylvania hotel, N. Y., Sunday (19) evening for that length of run.

Drake's Split

Alfred Drake, juve lead of 'Okla-ma,' who checks into Columbia for homa, who checks into Columbia for his first film in June, has a new The-atre Guild contract for six mouths which permits him six months on Broadway and six months in pix. The Guild deal calls for directing

Joan Roberts, like Drake, leaves the cast in June for a Metro chore, and Joan McCracken has a Warner Bros. contract.

'A Curtsy to the Theatre And the Joys It Afforded'

FRANK SULLIVAN

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79th WEEK!

KEN MURRAY'S "BLACKOUTS OF 1943" El Capitan Theatre, Hollywood, Cal

Lux Dickers for RKO Deal With Sinatra: Would Scoop Vimms' Preem

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Desthile-Lox Radio Thefre, is notprovided to the control of t

later (5) on the 9-93% slot over CBs.

Vimms is tossing Sinatra a farewell party, to which the press is being invited; on Dec. 27. at the Stork Club. N. Y., with the singer leaving that night for the Coast.

LUNT-FONTANNE WOW IN LONDON 'NIGHT' BOW

London, Dec. 21.
There Shall Be No, Night, which
teed off Dec. 12 at the Aldwych,
proved a sensational triumph for
Alfred Lunt and Lynn Fontanie, who
played the roles they created in New
York several seasons ago.
Play looks like biggest success here
in years.

Lastfogel Lauds H'wood For Fine Morale Job

Fin Pine Morale Job
Hollywood, Dec. 21.
Fin players have done better
than control to the control to the control
tary entertainment of the armed
forces, in the opinion of Abe Lastfood, press of USO-Camp Shows.
Wood Wicory Committee on its
work, prior to his return to New
York after three monits on the
Cossil. Addressing the HVC talent
You have stuck to a job that has
never been easy and often has been
monotionus, but the results have
all of us to see the all-out effort
that the actors and actresses are
making.

Lastfogel, Back to N. Y.

Abe Lastfogel, USO-Camp Shows prexy, returns to N. Y., this week from the Coast, where he spent several months lining up approximately 65% of the film stars for overseas tours during 1944.

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Brian Aherne and his wife, Joan Fontaine, have rented a cottage at nearby Suffield, Conn., following a visit there with the Philip Schwartzes. AHERNES' CONN. HOME

The pair commute weekly to New ork for their radio show.

New York Runaround

By Radie Harris

Jack Kapp of Deces is getting out a series of dramatic albums in which stars of the stage and screen will be heard in a series of dussing dramatized by Therese Lewis. Jean Arthur in Peter Pan, Helen Hayes in Cittle Women and Joan Foutaine in Jene Byre-shave been approached to start of the lift. Decesues Margaret Sullavan want to seem the notice of the lift. Decesues Margaret Sullavan want to seem the notice of the lift. Decesues Margaret Sullavan want to seem the notice of the lift. Decesues Margaret Sullavan want to seem the notice of the lift. Decesues Margaret Sullavan want to seem the notice of the lift. Decesues Margaret Sullavan want to seem the notice of the lift. Decesues Margaret Sullavan want to seem the notice of the lift. Decesues Margaret Sullavan want to seem the lift of the lift. Decesues Margaret Sullavan want lift of the lift. Decesues the lift of the lift. Decesues Margaret Sullavan want lift of the lift. The lift of lift of lift of lift. Decesues the lift of lift of lift of lift of lift of lift. Decesues the lift of lif

Tips for Toastmasters

By J. C. NUGENT-

Decca Gives 'Oklahoma' Cast Pre-Xmas 'Gift' Of Advance Royalties

Deca Records' pressy, Jack Kapp, rates a bend with the 'Othbornom' rates and the Richard Rodgers-Osean Hammeristein, 2d, soere. Deceas come in handy pre-Kmas, in addition to the advance royalites, which can't be removed the control of the rates of the principals at leastly recorded a result of the rates of the

Morris Agcy. Decisions A.&C. in Radio Rep Dispute

A 'Down-Under' Showman Reflects on Show Business In the Post-War Period

SIR BENJAMIN L FULLER specially written for

VARIETY'S

38th Anniversary Number (Post-War Show Business Edition)

NUGENT

It is reasonably amusing, for instance, at the average Servicements from the control of
bathroom.

The bys come with high hopes of seeing in the flesh the great and the ready. The seeing in the flesh the great and the ready. The seeing in the flesh the great and the ready. They naturally have commoted these great and renovaled names with something of histrionic merit and even dignity. In their minds they have regarded them with something akin to a reverence far removed from the filth they sometimes hear.

hear.

Happily there are many exceptions among speakers and fortunately we (Continued on page 55)

Gary Cooper USO Unit In Sydney After Show At New Guinea Front

Sydney, Dec. 21.
Gary Cooper, Una Merkel, Phyllis Gary Cooper, Una Merkel, Phyllis Brooks and Andy Acari were greeted by big crowds on their arrival her after their teek through arrival her after their teek through by the cooper and the cooper have the cooper have the cooper have to cooper have year up as a cooper to the New Guinea front, as the Army would permit. Cooper hopes to make another entertpinment four through the jungle fighting sone pekt year. Miss Brooks is styling over for ani-other USO low this John Wyone.

Breen's Latin-American Tour to Case Good Will

Joseph I. Breen, Hollywood, Dec. 21.
Joseph I. Breen, Hollywood chief
of the Will Hays office, hopped off on
a three-week tour of Mexico and
Central America as chairman of the
Motion Picture Society of the
Motion Picture Society of the
Office of Coordinator of a alin-America
can Affairs.

Purpose of the trip is to check up on the progress of the Good Neigh-bor film program south of the Rio Grande.

TO HYPO PROD. EA

Kate Smith Blasts Disc Jockeys For 'Unpatriotic Singer Contests'

Radio singing stars who have been making an outstanding pitch to get across. OWI messages are doing a burn over the manner in which local radio stations, in their early morning dies sessions, are nullifying their ef-forts.

ratio stations, are subtrying the second records over the six of the second records of the second records over the six of the second records over the second records

While nothing can be done about.

Kate Smill's Stance

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While nothing can be done about preventing the stations from using their records, they point out, Kate
Smith for one has served notice that she'll do every thing in her power to appreciate the she'll do every thing in her power to appreciate the she'll do every thing in her power to appreciate the she'll do every thing in her power to appreciate the she'll do every thing in her power to appreciate the she'll do every the she'll do every disparent of the she'll do ever than full getting the mail through to the Armed Forces oversess and an open class price was \$530,000, said to be \$500,000 over the figure offered and it seems to me that addited to the seems to me the seems to the seems to the seems to seem to the seems to write and the seems to write and the seems to write a seem to

"'ONE WORLD' IN HUMOR TOO"

Writes

JACK BENNY

Still Another Editorial Feature in the

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Anne Brown Sought As 'Carmen Jones' But Concert Dates Snag

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Concert dates already lined up for
Anne Brigwin, creates of the coetilie
stalling negotiations for her to appear in the tilte role of Carmen
Jones in the Billy Rose Broadway
mash. Rose has talked with Miss
mash. Rose has talked with Miss
the Gershwin folk opens, and several
these in seeking a singer to altermate with Muriel Smith ay Carmen
Miss Brown was considered for the
part when the up-to-date Bisset open
eret tour instead. At reported figure
of \$1,250 an appearance she is doing
about \$50 concerts a year.
Former Torgy and Bees star also
recently completed screen Castern
Control of the Carmen
Gershwin, Rhapsody in Blue, and
is reported set for a repeat on the
Warner lot.

CBS DICKERS MERMAN AS 'MATINEE' REGULAR

The Merman, star of Michael Todd's Something for the Boys' musical at the Alvin Se "J.", who sisted at the Alvin Se "J.", who will be a simple of the Boys' musical at the Alvin Se "J.", who will be a simple of the Mattines' daily show on Thursday (16), is being lined up for a permanent weekly spot on the program. Show is heard from 4 to 4:25 p.m. and stars Alfred Drake, male lead of Oblahoma.

Billy Rose, Ben Marden Buy Loew's Ziegfeld, N. Y.

Buy Loew's Ziegfeld, N.Y.
Billy Rose and Bert Morken, nitery prop., have bought the Zeaffeld theatre, N.Y., after anging for the property for months. Stated purchase price was \$50,000, said to be \$100,000 over the flagre offered the pot with double feature affins for ten. years. Understood that the deal was made as the result of property of the deal was made as the result of property of the property of the property of the property of the property being in this property of the property being in this property of the proper

REQUIREMENTS

If early findings are confirmed by further developments, eastern film production would be given a terrific hypo as result of television screen requirements, since a completely new library and source of pictures would have to be developed for the new medium.

medium.

Television executives who, during the past few weeks have been screening pictures made for regular theatre screens, but reduced to librarie screens, but reduced to librarie screen, have come to the conclusion that this type of film is not suitable to relevision and that a new technique will have to be developed. Will have to be developed, but the screen have come that the screen have to the screen have the scre

be suitable.

In this event production of films for television is likely to be centered primarily in New York (1) because technical facilities are easily available, and (2) talent from radio, stage and niteries, more suited for the new small screen production technique is the content of the content is the content of the content of the content is the content of the content of the content is the content of the nique, is more abundant in the east than elsewhere

nique, is more abundant in the east than, elsewhere. It is reportedly the opinion of television exces that the new tele screen, measuring two feet, with daylight exhibition, requires a technique comparable to that employed in production of small screen coin machine films such as those made by Jack Barry (Minoco Productions).

New Technique

New Technique
Longshots, which are effective on
the regular theatre screen, look like
tunnel views on the small screen,
and a crowded flypaper effect is the
regular there crowd scenes occur.
type of camera productions: In case
of the small screen used in coin anchines a new technique was originated. The two-foot screen would
screen and long-rauge viewing demanded. A mall screen means faceto-face, split-second, entertainment
with emphasis on closeups Long
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encessarily climinated.
High-key lighting, strong makeup
and decisive continuing explaces soft

necessary eliminates.

High-leavy alignaming replaces soft lighting in small screen production which goes counter to many long established production practices.

The new technique for small-formers as well as technical methods. Intrinsted, direct delivery is preferred for the face-to-face tellevision screen. International methods are the small screen loses subtlety so that simplicity and decisiveness are the small screen loses subtlety so that simplicity and decisiveness are the small screen loses subtlety so that simplicity and decisiveness are the small screen loses subtlety so that simplicity and decisiveness are the small screen loses subtlety so that simplicity and decisiveness are decisivened and the small screen loses subtlety and the small screen loses subtlety so that simplicity and decisiveness are decisiveness. The small screen loses subtlety and the small screen loses s ality in the story character comes over stronger on the small screen Thus, in many ways, the television medium is likely to call for a simpli-fied yet new style of delivery.

No D.C. Tour for Her

Ann Richards, new Metro Blayer, Is in bed with the flu at the Statler. She came to Washington for some sightseeing but hasn't gotten beyond probably spend her entire visit, receprating.

Will Rogers Memorial Group Folds, 'Big 5' Pic Cos. Take Over Hosp Care

BOR HOPE

writes about

'The High Spot in a Career' Feature of the 38th Anniversar

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'Bernadette.' 'Comrade' Complete Sweepstakes For Academy's Oscars

Hollywood, Dec. 21.
With last minute rush by two stufor Academy awards, the candidate

goo to get unour ne were to quainty of the for Academy awards, the candidate list for the year's best picture is a formation of the year's best picture in the control of the picture in t

JOE SCHOENFELD JOINS WILLIAM MORRIS AGCY

Joe Schoenfeld, associate editor o 'Variety,' is leaving this paper Jan. 1 to join the William Morris agency to join the William Morris agency. Scho has been with Variety 11 years, covering all phases of the show business, coming to this paper after nine years with. Hearst and not hearth to the paper after the years with the paper after with years and the yearst with the paper and years and y

Overseas Performers In Wax Encore for Troops

Hollywood, Dec. 21.
Film personalities who have entertained troops in the North African sector are collaborating on a Command Performance' transcription to be sent overseas soon at the request of Gen. Dwight Eisenhower through the Hollywood Victory Committee.

On the Ward

On the Waxed program are Jack Benny, Bob Hope, Frances Lang-ford, Tony Romano, Anna Lee, Kay Francis, Martha Raye, Carole Landis and Mitzi Maytair.

Jones Statemens
The trustees of the Will, Rogers' Memorial Commission, with the approval of Mrs. Rogers. Said Jones in a stitement, have determined to a stitement, have determined to a stitement, have for the state of the stat

Never Lived With Mate. Siamese Twin Charges In Seeking Pitt Divorce

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In Seeking I'll Divorce.

Daisy Hillon, of team of Daisy and Volet Hillon, the Siames I'win, filled suit for divorce here last week earlier to be a sealing the
154 West 46th St., New York 19, N. Y

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Alperson to D.C. on 4th War Loan Confab; Bond for Every Seat' Drive

E. L. Alperson, who is alsaled to serve as chairman of the Metropolitan, N. Y. area campaign during the Fourth War Loan, is scheduled to leave for Washington tomorrow (Thursday) with for Bernhard to leave for Washington tomorrow (Thursday) with for Bernhard to leave the U. S. Treasury, Alpeison will appoint two co-chairmen, in turn appointing captains for the U. S. Treasury, Alpeison will appoint two co-chairmen, in turn appointing captains for With him, in turn appointing captains for the U. S. Treasury, Alpeison will appoint two captains and the Company of the Company

able.

Dan Michalove, v.p. of National
Theatres, was last week appointed
metropolitan N. Y. area chairman of all bond sales to members of the in-dustry. Michalove, assisted by a committee which he is now formcommittee which he is now form, will canvas employees of home offices, circuits and independent exhibs to book war bond sales.

Harry Mandel, RKO Theatres advertising-publicity head, has been named chairman of the N. Y. State Publicity Committee for the Fourth War Loan drive.

Charles Skourse, meantime, an-

War Loan drive:

Charles Skouras, meantime, announced that a nationwide industry contest was to be staged to stimulate the sale of bonds with awards to the honored 100' who did the most

Treasury

In addition, it is understood, Al-person will suggest that the Treas-ury issue 'T' awards to all exhibi-tors making a fine showing in the

tors making a fine showing in the trive.

Meantime, serving with Skouras, are Rick Ricketson, vice-chairman of the industry drive; B. V. Sturdivant, campaign director, and Seymour Peiser, publicity director. Five screen stars will appear in a film bulletin and three theatre trailings of the control of the

ers to be issued in connection with the bond campaign. James Cagney and Edward Arnold will co-star in the bulletin titled What If They bulletin titled the bulletin titled What If The, Quit, while Ginger Rogers, An Sothern and Bob Hope will appea in the house trailers. Screen writer from the Writers Mobilization Committee volunteered the preparation of the scripts.

D. C. Huddies

Washington, Dec. 21, Shrewd showmaniship wrinkle to push the sale of war bonds in film houses was announced here Friday (17) at the first of three regional (Continued on page 49)

H'wood Officer Cashiered For Selling Army Fil

Lyt. Genining Army Filling.

Cap. Grant H. Stone, charged with length selling of \$400 worth of-motion. picture film while commanding ordered and American Air Porce found guilty for a general court maniet-in-and sentenced to definished. The ment at hard above. Sentence downerst a hard sentence downerst a

Stone had a record of 28 years as cameraman in various studios and served with the Army Air Corps in-the first World War.

Free Ducats to 93,000 Yanks By USO on Coast

Hollywood, Dec. 21.
USO Entertainment Division it this district handed out more than 93,000 free tickets to service men for warious amusements during November, according to the monthly check-

oer, seconding to the monthly cheek-up.
Radio broadcasts led with 38,386 tickets. Following were stage shows, 22,214; sporting events, 17,506; pictures, 7,283; dances outside USO clubs, 3,843; night clubs, 2,931; concerts, 2,421, and film studio fours, 1,231.

HELLER'S ILN PIC

Bob Heller, formerly with Lt.-Col. Frank Capra, now scripting a film for the United Nations Information Film, which will be released na-tionally deals with the history of the United Nations.

ED SULLIVAN

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Troops in No. Africa **Getting New Pix Fast** Since Jolson's Blast

North Africa.

Silice Julion a Justice Substitute of the Composition of the Compositi and actors again; pretty long time for one family, don't you think? Say

HAYWARD BACK WITH TARAWA BATTLE FILM

Hollywood, Dec. 21.

Battle of Tarawa, bloodiest in the history of the U. S. Marine Corps, will be processed here under supervision of Capt. Louis Hayward, former screen actor, who directed mer screen actor, who directed filming of the shambles as a member of the USMC photographic division.

Capt. Hayward, who recently re-turned from the South Pacific area, will assemble the footage here for final approval by Marine officials in Washington before general release.

Joel McCrea Back From Tour of Mediterranean

Hollywood, Dec. 21. The greatest experience an actor can enjoy is applause and smiling faces from fighting Yanks overseas. So declared Joel McCrea on return from a 22,000-mile, six-week tour of the Mediterranean area.

the mediterranean area.

They're so happy to see familiar faces, they don't care whether they're entertained or not, he said.

They shun war and propaganda pictures and stars mean nothing to them

'It's good stories that they w ats good stories that they want, the kind that make sense. When war's over they'll be plenty film wise and highly critical, declared the actor who reported to the Hollywood Victory Committee the vital importance of keeping the boys entertained and their morale buoyed.

Canadian Army Show Split Into Touring Units Toronto, Dec. 21.

After a lengthy trans-Canadian tour, terminating here where it started. The Army Show, Canadian army production is being broken into the separate units to play Canadian camps for the holiday weeks.

Headquarters decision has called an experiment of the control to be immediately undertaken for another trans-Canadian tour and that the production was slated for Broadway and then the U. S. Camp

Uncle Sam's Callboard

Bill Kent Back Bill Kent, Jr., son of the comedian, Bill Kent, Jr., son of the comedian, is back after two years of flying in Europe. He has been on 32 raids with the RAF and has the British Distinguished Flying Medal ditto American, and the air-medal with

American, and the air-medal with four clusters.

He's been grounded for the duration and will instruct henceforth. He was a bombardier with the RAF until four months ago when he transferred to the AAF.

Toni Morrison, maestro of her own band, is his sister.

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Arny Air. Corps, former Metro
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Newman Goes In

- Eugene Newman, assistant to C. J.
Oswald in charge of the investigating department for Paramount
and with the company 14 years,
Army.

Montgomery's Documentary
Cpl. George Montgomery, screenactor husband of Dinah Shore, is
making an Army Air Forces pic,
"Survival of the Pittest' at the San
Antonio, Texas, Aviation Cadet Center. Capt. Cilbert Warenton, former
cameraman-director at Monogram, is
the directory.

the director.
Lt. Roger Mace is the cameraman.

Muthall Cited for Bravery
Philadelphia, Dec. 21.
L. L. Gol. Lawrence Usek/Muthall,
of ex-detrict manager of StagleyWaffer tiscartes, awarded Legion of
Meilt for bravery. He was wounded
in the North African campaign.
Charles V. Woodward, former
sitiant to Harry Bates, KTW auditor,

upped to 2d loosy in Army financial division. Jack Markus, violinist with Norman Black's WFIL studio orchestra Army. Robert Sidman, m

Senate, Harrisburg, Army, Jack Eisman, KYW engineer

Howland Upped to Lt. Col.
Albert E. Howland, with the Office
of Coordinator of Inter-American
Affairs on film matters, made a Lt.
Col. in the Signal Corps.
At one time Washington manager
or Fox-Novitone News and later
for Paths, he has turned out 300
Mill. Hoffinan, of Pastmounts, homeoffice exploitation department,
Army,

Radio Men Win Bars
Schencetady, N. Y., Dec. 21.
Al Zink, former special events
announcer and assistant p.a. of WGY,
has won his bars as a second lieutenant in the 'Quartermaster Corps
at Camp Lee, Va. His first assignment was a 16-day public relations
job in Washington.

Wilbur Morrison, former WGY as (Continued on page 27)

Paramount's Eastern Story RICHARD MEALAND

Why Write for Pictures? poetcy pieces born of seasoned

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Capt. Andre Baruch Salutes Stars As He Recalls Highlights of 1943

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SAG Wants Warners' Assurance That 'Canteen' Strictly Commercial Film

Unless Warners can prove to the satisfaction of the Screen Actors Guild the 'Hollywood Canteen' is a commercial film and not with 'patriotic overtone,' as Guild contends, studio will be denied pormission to bargain direct with actors on prorata basis of regular salary for the few days they are required for shooting.

ing.
Guild board, at meeting which
didn't break up till early hours today (Tuesday), voted to draft a letter to Warners covering this and

other points.

It's indicated that some studios are not sympathetically inclined toward WB's filming of 'Canteen,' and may not make contractees available at cut-rate salaries.

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donment or the tilm.

AFM Nixes, Army Band

American Federation of Musicians
has turned down Warner Bros' request for use of the Santa Ana air
base band in 'Hollywood-Canteen'
because the film is a commercial ven-

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The move is further evidence that APA is standing by its guns in re-APA is standing by its guns in recommercial jobs while so commercial jobs while so specified in War Dept. regulations.

J. W. Gillette, studio rep for APA, and arrangements were being made to protect jobs of musicians in service, but that's as far as it goes, in referring to the action of Major special order permitting GTs to take film roles on their off-time, Gillette and case is not comparable since the shortage was acute in that classification.

AFM's decision was largely based on the competition going on be soldier and civilian musicians.

V-Disc Film Tunes For Overseas Forces

Hollywood, Dec. 21. Armed forces overseas will soon be able to hear approximately 300, 000 sound recordings of filmusical numbers through the efforts of the War Activities Committee.

Songs are taken off sound tracks onto V-discs, with 3,000 to 5,000 pressings of each recording, and will be shipped to distant outposts each

N. Y.'s 151G to War Fund

The picture industry of the N. Y. metropolitan area contributed \$151,000 to the National Was Pund. Sam Rinzler, chairman of the industry drive, in making the announcement last week, said that there were still a number of unfulfilled pledges outstanding.

By CAPT. ANDRE BARUCH
Were we also have page than the harden. We have been page than the processel to the land the page than the processel to the land the color of the page than the page than the page than the page to the page than the stars for appearing, and all the stars for appearing, on our first anniversary dedicatory program, Dec. 15.

Dec. 15.

Looking back over our years operation, we can trace our efforts with the stars who made the long trip over. Martha Raye was here when we had a hand-made transmitter. She went right into the foxholes of

She went right into the foxholes of runtisa, where some of the time we couldn't even see the troops we were Al Johan hit our circuit when our boys were still lighting for Sicily. He went right to them. He helped dedi-cate our fifth station. We remember him singing California, Here I Come, at the tour end. He was shown the wouldn't let he was shown the wouldn't let he vice

tired, but he wouldn't let his voice show it.

Then Jack Benny, Wiln Shaw, Ama Lee and Larry Adler were scheduled to appear one night. The field was almost as large as the Brocklyn stadium. The trouge had use returned from linky. It rained. The singe was a crude affail. A plant with the stade of the sta the field huddled under-raincoats and hoods. But the gain on the stage didn't. Anna Lee kept-right on go-ing in a wipsy green dress. Benny didn't even let his cigar go out. Adler went on with the 'Bolero'. It poured. Then the show just moved to an in-town theatty.

Then the show just moved to an in-town theatre.

Bob Hope came back from a shell-ing fine show kept right on one shall-men and the show for the folls back home-in fronch'd an audience of G.L's.

The show was over. but not France-Langford and frong Romano. We don't know how the folks re-ceived that show. but the boys over-ceived that show. but the boys over-ceived that show. but the boys over-ceived that show. but the folks re-ceived that show. but the folks re-ceived that show the total re-liable Logan was headed for fally, but the stopped along the way fo

Ella Logan was headed for italy, but she stopped along the way to dedicate a number for some of the boys and girls from Ohlo who were in our studio for a salute to their State. And Fredric March recorded a 15-minute dramatic script telling the story of Lt. David C. Waybur, awarded a Congressional medal of

honor.
To all of them our thanks...und the thanks of our sponsors, the fighting boys and girls in Africa... Sicily...Italy.

Metro to Distrib British

Tunisian Campaign Pic

Metro will distribute Beginning of the End. feature length film from the British Information Services, dealing with the Tunisian campaign. McG drew the picture by lot, under the arrangement set up by the Hays office in connection with pictures being handled in the U.S. by the British Information Services.

ARMY'S' LATTN PREEM

"This Is the Army' opens the re-This is the Army opens the re-centile constructed Presidente theatre-in Pangina City, Panama, Jan. 14.

Preep also will represent the in-property of the present the in-picture in the Latin-Americas. It will be for the benefit of military relief societies, patterned after the lines of funds going to Army Emer-gency Relief in the U. S. Opening top will be \$5

L.A. to N.Y.

June Allyson. George Balanchine. Capt. Robert Benja Benedict Bogeaus. Benedict Boge Jerry Dale Major Jerry Dale.
Majorie Gateson.
Tom Harrington.
Dick Haymes.
Edith Head.
Joe Hill. Jean Hersholt. Major John W. Hubbell. Abe Lastfogel. Abe Lastfogel. Elizabeth Perdix. Rags Ragland. Paul Rickenbacker. Irving Rubine. Sig Schlager. Nancy Walker. Herbert Yates. Zorina.

N.Y. to L.A.

Franz Waxman.

EUTHS TO CHECK %-DAT

RKO Establishing Retirement Pensions for All Employees

What is believed to be the first, pension or retirement plan within the motion plettre industry applying the pension of the pe

mined to establish a pension, or re-tement plan for employees.

Odlum stated that, the general tea-tment of the plan were at the re-cept of the plan were at the meet-ing held pasterday. Thus, and that-details would be approved and an-nouncement made before Dec. \$1.

The plan will, of course, he sub-mitted to the Treasury Dept. for ap-proval.

Odlum stated, that the pension plan is designed to reward employees for their past and future services by clitton. Lo. Federal. Social Security, benefits, The plan will include all, present regular, employees between 30 and 64 years of age if they have service or as soon as such service has been completed.

New employees will likewise be included, if between the ages of 30 It is blanned to provide retirement.

included, if between the ages of 30 and 69.

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Minimum benefits after normal re-tirement age will be fixed amounts monthly, including primary Federal social security benefits.
The plan will also include benefits in case of death prior to attainment of the normal retirement age.
The plan will be the plan of the plan the employer corporations to a spe-cial trust fund which will be self-administered.

SHOW BIZ DONATES 90G TO NCCJ: 150G GOAL

TO NCCJ; 150G GOAL

Industry leaders pledged around 484,000 additional to the annual quota of the musement division of the National Conference of Christians and Jews at the luncheon helid has been as the control of the National Conference of Christians and Jews at the luncheon helid has been depended by the contribution of the American Theatree Wing which gave \$50,000 out of its share of distribution red that the contribution of the Amusement division's quota is \$150,000 of the \$1,000,000 out of the \$

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W.E.'s \$10,000,000 Classroom Films

Western Electric reportedly in-vested over \$10,000,000 in the Erpi Classroom Flims project, which was sold to the University of Chicago two weeks ago. ECF had a library of some 250 one-reel subjects.

DISTRIBS CLAIM

the Copyright Protection Bureau of the film industry in New York and reportedly discussed possibility of engaging a nationally known private detective agency to work with or without film checkers on houses playing pictures on percentage.

Understood that complaints registered at the meeting that dis-tribs lost an estimated \$2,000,000 or more in '43 on percentage deals through under-payment by exhibs in various parts of the country. In one section it was stated that of 157 theatres only seven could be recognized as having fulfilled their com mitments completely. Four more areas where it is considered the greatest number of violations occur were mentioned by name. Problem of getting full returns

om percentage pictures is considered of more importance this year than for many seasons past, due to red of more importance this year clear of Characteristics product, which was that for many seasons past, due to sold to the University of Chicago two two sold to the University of Chicago two was also with the Chicago two was an in-afficient number of projectors in warrant's further experimentation with classroom subjects.

Rose's Coast O.O.

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Rose's Coast Triday (17), will huddle with Y. Frank Freeman, B. G. By the Chicago the Chicag

Skouras, Lichtman, Rubin to Eng. On Fox-Metro Stake in Gaumont

Humorist IRVING BRECHER'S

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Hart Huddles On Winged Victory

Moss Hart, producer of the Army Air Force stage show, "Winged Vic-tory," is due in town this week to indid with 20th-Fox excess on the an arsenal of talent, now quartered on the old Hal Roach lot, as the First Motion Picture Unit of the AAF.

Lieut. Col. William Wyler, stated as director of the screen version, will have pienty of the law personnel, including writers, actors, directors and technicians in all classifications. Preliminary work starts this week, with the picture stated to go before the lenses in June on the Westwood

Marcella Napp's Pix Job Hollywood, Dec. 21,
Marcella Napp for past two years
with William Morris in N. Y.,
joined Vanguard Films here to look
after talent.
She was one-time caster at Metro,

Stake in Gaumont.

Al Lichtmans Lundon text for Metro is being sheld up pending State Department of Act, but "It" likely transportation will be cleared and the will be accompanied by J. Röbling off after the first of the year. They will confer with Alexander Korda, foreign manager for Metro, and the state of the pear. They will confer with Alexander Korda, foreign manager for Metro, and the state of the year. They will confer with Alexander Korda, foreign manager for Metro, and the state of the year. They will confer with Alexander Korda, foreign manager for Metro, and the state of the year of of y

Rank.
Transfer of the 49% non-voting interest in Metropolitan has been up for decision-more than a year but long delayed. This is the first time the two U. S. film companies have been this close to an actual settlement of the whole proposition.
Because of Rank's admittedly strong position in Britain's production

strong position in Britain's production exhibition and distribution, there are plents of ramifications in the forth-coming Liondon parley. Both sides to the pending deal can exert considerable leverage both on the production and exhibition end with the American interests admittedly holding the ace card as far as product and distribution in Britain is con-

LARRY KENT TO ACCOMP S. SKOURAS OVERSEAS

D. AROURAD UVENSLAS
Larry Kent, receiving assistant to
Spyres Skoursa, is set to accompany
the 20th-70x prexy when he showed
off on his overseas trek. Understood
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ascertain if 20th-70x product is
being given a fair treatment in the
areas occupied by United Nations
torces and check on manner in which
purits are handled.

Fox's S. A. Aides Due For N. Y. Confabs

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Managing directors in Argentina
and Brazil for 20th-Fox are to huddle in N. Y. before the end of the
year, S. S. Horen, company's Argentina managing director, having arrived last week. J. C. Bavetia,
Brazil managing director, is due in,
before Jan. 1.
Both will confer with Murray

Both will confer with Murray Silverstone, foreign sales chief.

Disney's Boogie Beat

Hollywood, Dec. 21.
Walt Disney breaks out with a new
South-of-the-Border dance known as
the Samba-Jongo in his next musicaf
cartoon feature. The Three Cabsileros."

alleros.

Dance is based on a tune, 'Bafa,'
written by Ary Barross, composer
of 'Brazil,' and is described as 'a
rocking chair rhythm with a beat
down boogle beat.'





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Chances for New Consent Decree In Jan. Still Look Good; More Trading

Washington. Dec. 21.
Possibility of a new motion picture consent decree by mid-January Jooks good here, following last Wednesday's conference between Trun Carly's conference between Trun Carly's conference between Trun Carly's conference between Trun Carly's Conference by mid-January Jooks and Landling the case for the Government, and Joseph Hazen, Warner vp. Hazen, who has done most of the ducer exhibitor companies, was expected to offer some new proposals its weeks after conferring with law of the conference
tollows, after his meeting with Hazen: Bir Five has agreed to a 20% convolution clause on blocks. It is willing to go further and allow the cancellation of one picture in blocks is willing to go further and allow the seeking a cancellation privilege for one of the convolution of the convolution of wants the cancellation privilege so flexible so that if an exhibitor elects to call all films in any one block his cancellation rights would be cumu-lative in mobesquent blocks. For ex-tance, the convolution of the convolution of the block of five, he could reject two out of the next block of five.

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2. The Big Five will go along on a
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this extended to thestres in which
they have stock 'sownership, but
which they don't actually operate.

3. The Big Five will accede to the
Justice Department demand that
court for the country of the country (Continued on page 55)

WEDLOCK, SNYDER CALL OFF PROD. PACT AT U

Producer-writer team of Howard Snyder and Hugh Wedlock, Jr. signed a year ago to make an Abbott & Costello picture, checked off the Universal lot after amicable set-tlement of their contract. Pair scripted films for Donald O'Connor and Olsen & Johnson after Costello was stricken eight months

Alperson, Brandt Trek On March of Dimes Drive

E. L. Alperson and Harry Brandt start on a trans-country trek on behalf of the March of Dimes campaign shortly after Jan. 1. Starting from New York they will cover key situ-ations as far as the Coast, returning

ations as far as the Coast, returning in approximately two weeks.

March of Dimes campaign book issued by Ernest Emerling last week reflected optimism of theatre circuit heads regarding handling of both the March of Dimes and Fourth War Loan campaigns at about the same time.

Film Carriers May Have Trucking Headache in '44 Washington, Dec. 21.

Film carriers may face a headache next year in rep cing their trucks wear out. Only 80,000 new which wear out. Only 80,000 new trucks will be produced during all of 1944 for civilian use in this country, Joseph B. Eastman, Director of Defense Transportation, announced last Friday (17). Bulk of the 80,000 are not to be delivered until the latter part of next year. Normal Stuck production for replacements is 450,000 units a year.

M-G Shelves Schary Pair

Hollywood, Dec. 21, Recent departure of Dore Schary from Metro to become a producer for Vanguard resulted in the abon-

for Varguar resusted in the acondoment of two high-shided produces.

Ray Taylor, director at Universal,
Shidior decided to shelve a magnified western and a cavalende of the
film business, both of which were on
the Schary schedule.

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CLIFTON FADIMAN

Things I'd Like to See in Post.Wor Radio

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Raw Film Quotas May Be Increased: Also **Easing Equipment**

Harold Hopper, head of the War Production Board film section, due back tomorrow (22) from New York where he conferred with industry reps and raw film manufacturers on quotas for first quarter of 1944. He is stated to leave for the Coast at once to continue discussions with film officials there.

Quotas for first three months of next year are expected to remain at same level as over past nine months. Hopper is checking requirements for aerofilm with Army Air Force officers and there is a slim chance

officers and there is a sim chance needs for his combat picture film might in the combat picture film might in the combat picture film might in the combat picture film might increase, it is believed. Hopper's unit, also concerned with equipment, is expected to issue orders around Jan. I easing present equipment; restrictions which will make purchases easier to put through.

SMALL SLATES EIGHT PIX FOR UA SKED

Hollywood, Dec. 21, Eight features have been lined up by Edward Small as his contribution to the United Artists releasing sched-

to the United Artists releasing schedule, with one currently in work, two scripts ready to start and five in the writing mill.

Before the cameras is 'Up in Mabel's Room, with 'Beila Donna' and The Raft' awaiting the go signal. In various stages of scripting are Notorious Namey Grey, 'Life of Rudolph Valentino,' Cagliosto,' Guy from Mike's Place,' and 'A Time to Be Born.

Metro Sets 6 Releases For January, February

For January, February Following its plan of releasing three features monthly. Metro has divided its stain group of 12 pictures to that six of them will go on distribution in Annuary and February. January will see the release of 1A frousands Cheer, 'Cross of Lorariar Thousands Cheer, 'Cross of Lorariar Chusands and Cheer, 'Cross of Lorariar Chusands and Carl Hove, last Currellase distact. A Guy Named Joe,' Rationing and Cry Hove, last Currelly at the Aston, N. Y., go out in February. 'Madame Currel, now at 18 'Radio Cluy Music Hail, N. Y., is along with two others. Lost Angel' gets list world preem tomorrow (23) in Tulsa.

Lantz's Voice Credits

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Walter Lanta is handing screen
performers in his Cartunes at Universal.

Jack Teagarden, trombonist, gest
his name on celluloid in Piled Piper,
and the King Cole Trio is credited
in the sill-nuttled Swing Symphony
per and-inker, currently in production.

Taylor Now Producer

Hollywood, Dec. 21.
Ray Taylor, director at Universal, rew a new contract as associate

A.K.'s Won't Miss This One

Halls of trust I milks into the Molywood, Dec. 21.
Eight pop tunes of a bayone generation are being revived by Paramount for 'Incendiary Blonde,' based on the career of Pexas Guinan, Songs are Row, Row, Row, 'Ragime Cowboy Joe, 'Sweet Genevieve,' 'Ida'. 'Bill Bailey, 'By Jingo,' What Do, You Want to Make Those Eyes at Me For?' and one to be selected later.

Schlager's 5-Pic Deal With UA

Sig Schlager, Producers Corp. of America prexy, reportedly concluded a five-picture contract with United a five-picture contract with United Artisis yestered (Tues.). Harry Joe Brown, producer-director of PCA's, Artisis production Knickerbocker Holi-director of PCA's, and the Policy of th

HEMINGWAY'S 'TO HAVE' ON HAWKS' SLATE AT WB

Hollywood, Dec. 21.

Howard Hawks drew the producer job on To Hawe and to Hawe Not. Ernest Hemingway's novel recently bought by Warriers.

Humphrey Bogart will play the top role as soon as he returns from his current overseas camp tour.

Rome Prolog for Par's 'Sign of Cross' Reissue

Hollywood, Dec. 21.

Current battle for possession of Rome will be used as a prolog for Paramount's reissue of the old Cecil B. DeMille production, "The Sign of

Jim Thorpe Plays Bit In Par's 'Alaska' Pic

Hollywood, Dec. 21.

Jim Thorpe, all-time great in football and track athletics, checked in ball and track athletics, checked in at Paramount to play a roughneck gold miner in The Road to Alaska.' Until recently Thorpe had been doing war work in a Detroit airplane plant.

'Winkle' to Moss, Green

Columbia assigned Al Green to di-rett Wir. Winkle Goes to War's star-ring Edward G. Robinson and slated Lack Moss takes over the produc-tion reins originally intended for Harold Lloyd.

ROGELL'S QUIZZER

Al Rogell's deal for Phil Baker's radio show, "Take It Or Leave It," is all set to go. Baker is asking for \$20,000 for one pic, and \$35,000 for two, with shooting skedded to start around March, "44. Deal will probably be signed this week.

Rosell produces for Republic.

ARTHUR L. MAYER'S

We Shall Rest in Peace

Is a Prayer for the War Activities Committee After the Victory

VARIETY'S

38th Anniversary Number

Lefty's Notebook

By Joe Laurie, Jr.

Coolacres, Cal., Dec. 21.

Aggie and me were talking about different things, which with us means show business, and we got to picking out the 'hoofers' in vaudeville that e good as comedians in vaudeville, shows, radio and pictures. In the old days nearly everybody knew how to do a little hoofing or fake at it. Nearly all the old-timers got into vaudeville through the 'leg route,' meaning 'hoofing'. Then they added a song or two, because nearly every dancer I ever met always thought he could sing, or hoped so. After awhile, when they start to come off 'puffing', their mind wanders towards talk, funny talk. Why work hard when those 'talking comics' get the big dough? So they add 'jokes' and finish with dancing. After all, that's their insurance, ou know, sometimes talk don't go (ask anyone who has played Youngs-

intey and Joses and finish with dancing. After all, that's their insurance, you know, sometimes laik don't go task anyone who has played Youngstown), so it's pretty nice to fall back on a show-topping dance.

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Your pal,

'ROBE'S' \$3,000,000

Lefty.

BUDGET RKO PEAK

Studio Contracts

Hollywood, Dec. 21.

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Audrey Long, of the Broadway
stage, signed by RKO.
Evelyn Ankers' option lifted by
Universal.
Fredesick Nay's player pact renewed by Paramount.
Leroy Mason's player option lifted
Emphillie.

Leroy Mason's precision by Republic.
Chris Drake, wounded Marine, drew player contract at RKO.
Roy Barcroft, actor, optioned by

Roy Barcroft, actor, optioned by Republic. Pierre Gendron inked writer pact at PRC. Ken Duncan's actor option picked

Ken Duncan's actor option picked up by Republic. Mabel Paige's player ticket at Paramount renewed. Buth Tobey's minor contract with Warners approved by court. Byron Bar's actor option lifted by

aramount.

Bill Elliott, cowboy actor, renewed

by Republic.

June Lockhart's minor contract

June Locknart's minor contract with Metro approved by court. Janet Martin's player option picked up by Republic. Richard Jacekel drew actor ticket at 20th-Fox. Tom Steele's player option lifted

by Republic,
Paul Lukas signed by Warners.
Jack Kirk, actor, drew an option
lift at Republic.
Bill Ides, singer, signed by Para-

mount.

Cornel Wilde signed for one picture annually at Columbia.

Glenn Vernon, actor, signed by

RKO. (Continued on page 25)

Hollywood, Dec. 21. Highest production budget in the history of RKO, \$3,000,000, has been easigned to The Robe, based on the easigned to The Robe, based on the Picture will be produced in Technicolor by Frank Rose, with Vernon Walker, chief of the studio process department, working on a new procedure for special effects in background color photography.

'Ghost' Stalled While Studio Debates Ending

Charles Laughton, the heavy-weight spook in "The Canterville while the canterville while the exces at Metro are deeding whether to wind up the picture in a burst of comedy or serious dearms. Script called for a final laugh but the exces are wondering it a more appropriating would not be more appropriating. more appropriate. Players are on call for four more days of shooting, either way.

Just Not History-Minded

Hollywood, Dec. 21.

John Paul Revere westerns at Republic hays been renained the Smith Paumette series, with The Largest Stated as the first under the After three pictures, the studio discovered that the western customers did not take kindly to the Revere tag.

4 REISSUES, REPEAT

Toronto Police Probe Sabotage In Film Exchange Building Fire

Toronto, Dec. 21.

a passenger elevator motor in the control room on the roof of the Film Exchange Building here has resulted in reopening a fire case which cost the life of Herbert Mainan, Monogram projectionist, and seriously intend type Brustiness, and seriously intending the main and seriously milest the seriod.

gram projectionist, and seriously in-jured her direction. Will be carried out by Inspector William IL. Jour-gram of the carried of the carried out by Inspector William IL. Jour-sell of the carried of the carried of the Detective John Heuston, Ontario Fire Maschal's Department. Jury-ariler had drarged gross negligene-fo Regal Films, Ltd., Canadian Dis-ributors for Metro, because of quantities of naked film left exposed in the cause of the fire was un-known.

known.

Discovery of deliberate sabotage in the passenger elevator was not made until later, elevator machinery-makers concentrating on getting the freight elevators to work after the

Preeautionary Steps
Spured by the recent fire which
gutted the Metro branch office in
Toronto, killing an operator, distributors are taking steps to guard
fire in the N. Y. exchanges where,
to begin with, the safety regulation
are particularly severe.
At a meeting of M. Y. exchange
managers and heads of shipping
rooms, held during the past yeek,
two or three branch chefs would
each week inspect exchanges.

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Miner Damage
Findlay, O., Dec. 21.
Fire in the projection booth of the
Lyceum here, on Dec. 17, destroyed
a reel of film, damaged the projector
and forced cancellation of the night's
show. Patrons filed out orderly.

Fire Levels Chi Theatre

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Bad Timing

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Hollywood, Dec. 21,
Sneak preview of Cinger Rogers' picture, "Tender Conrade,
at the suburban, inglewood reside, had the audience howling
when the star quipped 'thunder
is very unusuajı in California,'
No sooner had she finished tiha
line than a clap of thunder
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Par Ends Year With 10 Pix Going

Hollywood, Dec. 21.
Paramount swings into the last
week of 1948 with a top mark of 1949
pictures before the cameras and two
musicals in the pre-recording stage.
Tunedins in the threes of sound, but
String On the Girls' and Fun Time.
The Road to Utopia, "The Hiller Gang,"
National Barn Dance, "Incending Hollow Island," Till We Meet Agrin,
bler's Choice."

\$3,500 REWARD FOR **ACKERMAN'S SLAYER**

Rewards now totaling \$3,500—one of the highest ever posted in Michigan—have now been put up by the city, of Bay City and the State for manager of the Butterfield Circuits wood to the command of the City and the State for manager of the Butterfield Circuits wood to the command of the City active the city of the city active plaudits for his war bond selling activities for conjunction with the manager of a fival house, was shot him of \$1,500 in theatre peerlyst on Dec. 6.

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SEE PROTECTION FOR THE FUTURE

The coming year will see a sharp curtailment on reissues and the virtual climination of repeat bookings, it is pradicted in trade circles. Opiation is that this change in policy among the distributors is likely to come not wholly because of a desire to move new film faster; but as a measure against 'rainy day' protec-

The question of remakes enters the picture in this respect. Contended that if repeat bookings, which, have reached-enormous proportions during the properties of the proportion of the proportion of the properties of the propertie

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Kuykendall Warns 20% Tax Will Put Small Houses Out of Biz: Also Sees Exhib-Distrib Rental Scrap Ahead

Cured, Pete?

Hollywood, Dec. 21.
Republic drew a bead on The
Deerslayer' and Pete flarrison's
producer career in that neck of
the woods dropped like a stricken buck. For years in his week
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finally decided to show them) how. His first production, based on the old J. Fenimore Cooper novel, is his last, at least for Re-public release:

RKO Stock List Hits Peak At 64

Hollywood, Dec. 21. Stock player roster for 1944 at RKO is the longest in the history of the studio, numbering 31 males and 33 femmes, a total of 64.

co remmes, a touch of value of the List reached its peak with the addition last week of John Shaw, Elaine Anderson, Russell Hopton, Gail Robinson, Rozamne King, Greta Christensen, Marie Lund, Chris Drake and Bryant Washburn, veteran of the silent films.

EARLE, D. C., ASST, MGR. **UP ON DRAFT CHARGE**

Washington, Dec. 21.
James B. Martie, 34, assistant man

James B. Martie, 34, assistant manager of the Earle, was arraigned before U.S. Commissioner. Near Martie admissioner. Commissioner Near Martie and Martie

Warning that the 20% amusement tax will put a lot of little theatres now operating out of business with-in a year, Ed Kuykendall, president of the Motion Picture Theatre Own-

of the Motion Picture Thearts Owners gad-America, declared in a bulletin to members that the tussle because exhibitors and distributors were exhibitors and distributors.

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They are the littlest theatres, whose film rental contribution to the industry is insignificant at best and who may mean little to the economic structure of the business. economic structure of the business.

"Many of the smaller towns that now have a single theatre of sorts won't have a movie a year from now. Imagine the distress in my own State of Mississippi, where we also have a 10% state tax on theatre admissions to carry."

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of Every

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And Many, Many Others

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DENNIS MORGAN · IRENE MANNING

BRUCE CABOT GENE LOCKHART Directed by ROBERT FLOREY Produced by ROBERT BUCKNER Bused Upon a Play by Lawrence Schwab, Orio Harbach, Oscar Hammerstein 2nd, Signund Romberg, & Frank Mandel

The Song of Bernadette Destination Tokyo

Hollywood, Dec. 21,	1
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duction. Features Jennifer Jones, Charles Bickford, Gladys Cooper, Charles Dingle,	Ti
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Gunnery Officer Rill Kennedy
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Miniature Reviews

'Song of Bernadette' (20th). Franz Werfel's noyel made into absorbing drama for top returns, absorbing drama for top returns,
"Destination. Tekyo" (WB),
Cary Grant and John Garfield in
smash boxoffice war, drama.
"Gung Ho" (I), Randolph Scott
starred in thriller about Makin
Island raid; geared for strong
boxoffice.

'Gargway for Tomorrow' (RKO). Margo topping routine cast in uninspired meller; dualer, 'Swingtime Johnny' (Songs)
(U). Andrews Sisters starrer, strictly dual fare.

strictly dual fare.

The Chance of a Lifetime' (Col): Chester Morris in a fast-moving Boston Blackie cops-and-robbers. Good duale:

Moonlight in Vermont' (U) Songs). Minor league comedy-drama with songs for the nabe duals.

duals.

'Overland Mail Robbery'
(Rep), Stindard newcomer in
Wild Bill Elliott western series;
suitable for duals. 'Up With the Lark' (British) (songs). Minor comedy slated for British consumption.

Robert Hutton, Dane Clark and John Ridgely.

Ridgely.

A film without feminine allure is an anomaly in these days of filmaking, but Destination Tokyo' is such a picture. It has only two briefs shots of femmes, but they have no link with the story. This story doesn't miss them.

miss them.

The film academicians can maintain their stand of more 'escapist' pix to help forget the war, but 'Destination Tokyo' need make no apologies on that score. There can be no escape from reality.

Kahn.

Gangway for Tomorrow

CARLEWAY TOP TOMON'S
RICO release of John H. Auer product
directed by Auer. Features Margo.
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The Chance of a Lifetime

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Screenplay, Paul Yawitz; camera, Ernie
Miller; editor, Jerome Thoms. At Strand,
Brooklyn, N. Y., duel, week of Dec. 16,
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Moonlight in Vermont

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(20008)
Hollywood, Dec. 17.
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Frigid Weather Trims Chi Biz, But 'Sahara' 20G, 'Flesh' 18G, Both Hot

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Sudden cold wave, the influenza scare and Christmas shopping raised have with the plant of the cold of the c Snug \$17,000. Last veta, \$18,000. United Artists (B&K) (1,700: 50-\$5) — Princess O'Rourke' (WB). Smooth \$18,000. Last week, 'Laste Come Home' (M-G) '2d wk), spar kling \$14,000.

kling \$14,000.

Woods (Essaness) (1,200; 50-75)—
Tartu' (M-G) and Voice That
Thrilled World (WB). Neat \$10,000.
Last week, Strange Death Hitler'
(IJ) and 'Man Music Mountain' (Rep)
5 days, and 'Tartu' (M-G) and 'Voice
Thrilled World' (WB), 2 days, snappy

K.C. Marks Time, Only 'Lady Chance' OK At \$12,000; 'Cross' 101G

Kansas City, Dec. 21.
Biz at the deluxers is off again this week as Christmas shopping goes into high gear. Bell ringer is Lady Takes a Chance at the Orpheum. The Midland, with Cross of Lorraine topping a combo. 15

Estimates for This Week Estimates for Amis received the Estimates for Amis Fairway (Fox Midwest* (820 2,043 and 700,10-60)—Son of Dracula* (U) and Mad Ghoul* (U). Mild \$10,000. Last week, 'Crazy House' (U), bright

\$12,000.
Midiana (Loew's) (3,500; 35-50)—
'Cross Lorraine' (M-G) and 'Crime
Doctor's Strangest Case' (Col). Mid \$10,500. Last week, Jack London' (UA). with 'Something About Sol-dier' (Col), low \$9,800. disappointing r weck. Newman (Paramount) (1,900; 40-)—True to Life (Par) (2d wk). So \$7,500 after fair \$10,000 initial

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'Govt. Girl' Tepid \$9,000, Indpls.; 'Cross' Low 81/2G

Grosses here are being pushed down to new lows for season under the impact of the winter's first near-zero weather on top of usual pre-Christmas slump. "Government Girl at the Circle looks like the best money film with an ultra-modest \$3.000."

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CLEVE. WAY OFF SAVE 'SISTER' OK AT \$17,000

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ditto.
Lake (Warners) (800; 35-55)—
Princess O'Rourke' (WB) (3d; wk).
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Happy Land' (20th) (2d wk) sour at
\$1,500.

Higgsy Land: (20th) (2d wk) sour at Gobb. (Low-vi). (200; 46-60).—Old Oklahoma (Rep.) (3d wk). Diving to St. (200; 46-60).—Old Oklahoma (Rep.) (3d wk). Diving to Crime School. (WB). (resisuo). Grade (RKO). (3,706; 35-85).—Crime School. (WB). (resisuo). Last Grade (RKO). (3,706; 35-85).—This control of the
Jack London' (UA) hardly better, \$8.800. 1.5.55.—
Stillman (Loew's) (2.700: 35-55.—
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Bar 20 ULA).

Grand (RKO) (1,480; 33,65).

Corvette (U) (2d wk), N.G. \$4,500

following singgish \$8,500 teeon.

Keth's (Libson) (1,500; 35-65).

Butler's Sister' (U). Second move-over for third downtown week. Nice
\$4,500. Same—last week for 'Old Acquaintance' (WB) for third main line sesh.

First Runs on Broadway

(Subject to Change)
Week of Dec. 23
—'Cry Havoc' (M-G) (5th)

week).

(Reviewed in 'Variety' Nov. 10)

Capitol—'A Guy Named Joe'
(M-G).

Criterion—'Crazy House' (U)

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'Sparrow' Forte 11G in L'ville

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There Ain't No Santa on Broadway, But 'Curie' Stout \$112,000, 'Desert' \$26,000, 'Crazy' \$22,000, 'Johnny' 22G

The week before Christmas is hitfurstruns. Most houses have been
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bill until New Year's although sagsing to \$30.000 currently.

Astor (Loew's) (1,140; 55-81.10)—
Cry Havo's (M-G) (5th w.V.). Slipped in fourth week ended Monday night of the same of th

'Sparrow' Swift 12G In Mild Seattle But 'Gang's' Fair 151G

Most spots just stalling till Xmas with takings thin. Fallen Sparrow, at Fifth Avenue, is standout with a Garage Gangs All Here, day-date Machall and Paramount, is only moderate.

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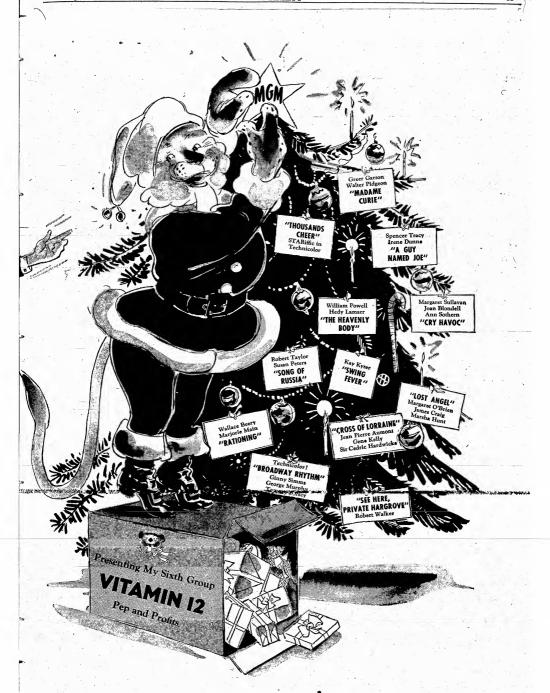
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Even Det. Feels Downbeat; 'Heat's On' Cool \$21,000; 'True to Life' Okay 17G

The flu and Christiana shopping are taking a heavy tailman shopping are taking a heavy tailman shopping are. It's back to the old bis of poor pre-Christiana weeks which in the from Mooming Detroit, Ton snot will be a close race between the Fox with Heat's On- and Paris After Time for Love, heading a dual combo.



"Our Two Big Jobs in January: Fourth War Loan and March of Dimes"



Pre-Xmas Lull Bops Hub; 'Tartu' Sad \$27,000, 2 Spots, 'O'Rourke' OK 18G

Bix is still on downbeat here, with no signs of a let-up. Flu appears to have little association with low level. Cold spell broke as new bills came in so the tendency here is to figure it's a normal season drop, and hang on. Princess O'Rourie is making

ates for This Week Estimates for This Week
Boston (RKO) (3.200; 44-99)—
'Rookies Burma' (RKO) plus Jimmie
Lunceford orch, others, on stage
Still low at \$22,000. Last week
'Crazy House' (U) plus Richard Himber orch, mild \$21,000.

er orch, mild \$21,000.
Fenway (M-P) (1,373; 40-60)—
Rosie O'Grady' (20th) and 'Submainc Alert' (Par). Definitely off here
t \$4,000. Last week, 'Hostages' (Par)
nd 'Harvest Mclody' (PRC), \$4,200. and Harvest Mclody (PRC), \$4,200.

Memorial (RKO) (2,900; 44-75)Flesh Fantasy: (U) and 'She's for
Me' (U) (2d wk). Held up well considering at \$15,000. Last week, six
days, so-so \$19,000.

days, so-so \$19,000,
Matropolitan (M-P) (4,367; 35-65)
Princess O'Rourke' (WB) and
Traq (WB). Not so bad comes
cason at \$18,003, Last week. Northern Pursuit' (WB) and 'Footlight
Glamout' (COI), about same.

ornmour (Col), about same.
Orpheum (Loew) (2,900; 44-65)—
Tarth' (M-G) and 'Xoung Ideas' (M-G), Fairly low for this spot with
\$19,000. Last week, 'Jack London' (UA) and 'Is Everybody Happy' (Col), \$18,000.

Paramount (M.P) (1,700; 40-80)—
Reramount (M.P) (1,700; 40-80)—
Rosie O'Grady (20th) and 'Submarine Alert' (Par). Low S12,000,
after sesh at Met. Last week, 'Hostages' (Par) and 'Harvest Melody'
(PRC), ditto.

State (d. com') (Car)

(PRC), ditto.

State (Loew) (3,200,44-65)—"Tartu'
(M-G) and Young Ideas' (M-G).
Drab \$8,000. Last week, 'Jack London' (UA) and 'Is Everybody Happy'
(Col), \$8,000.

(Col), 88,000.

Translux (Translux) (900; 28-65)—
'Crime School' (WB) and 'Girls Probation' (WB). Mild \$4,000. Last week, 'Jive Junction' (PRC) and 'Married Murderer' (Indie), nearly

'Happy Land' Fine At \$16,500 in OK Denver

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Tassis Com. Homer, Dec. 21.

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.000.
Sequire (Fox) (742: 30-85)—'Happy
nd' (20th') and 'Crime Doctor's
angest Case' (Col), also at DenNice \$3,500 or near. Last week,
esh Fantasy' (U) and 'So's Your
cle' (U), also at Denver, stout

Strangest Case (Coh.) also at Denve Nice 3.50 or near. Leaf week. Pitch Faithey Co 1900 rener. Leaf week. Pitch Faithey Co. 1900 rener. See 7.00 or 19

\$11,000.

Riatio (Fox) (878; 30-65)—North-ern Pursuif (WB) and 'Hi Sailor' (U), after week at each Denver, Es-quire, Aladdin. Strong \$5,000. Last week, 'Army' (WB) (13th week in firstruns), nice \$4,000.

Par's Larner Injured In Italian Action

First member of Paramount's homeoffice publicity staff to enter the service, Corp, Henry Larmer, has been seriously wounded in Italy while serving with the American Field Hospital Service.

Larner was in charge of a section of ambulance men and stretcher

of ambulance men and stretcher bearers. He previously had served in the North African campaign.

Kuykendall Warns

tinued from page 9 ne talk of making it 40% next

time.

This means that organized exhibitors have a real job cut out for them
if they don't want to get kicked
around again in Washington."

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Ambington, Dec. 21.
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Christman holidays, the Senate received from its Finance Committee
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by the shift will be Ic in some but not all admissions.

The revenue measure is not expected to past Congress and become law before the end of January at the earliest. If will not become effective before Feb. 1, and possibly not before March 1, if there are any last minute hitches.

RKO'S SPECIAL AD ADJUNCT

Coast unit of Foote, Cone & Beld-ing, advertising agency handling the RKO account, is being set up to aid Charles W. Koerner, v.p. in charge of RKO studio operations.

ties, special copy department will function in Hollywood to expedite RKO advertising campaigns.

BEAUTY and TELEVISION

HARRY. CONOVER (Whe Should Knew About Such

38th Anniversary Number

VARIETY

(Post-war Show Business Edition)

EDGAR MOSS LEARNS ANYTHING FOR A RIB

. Philadelphia, Dec. 21. Last year Edgar Moss, district ma ager of 20th Century-Fox, started to make a speech as retiring Chief Barker of Variety Club's Tent 13.

In the midst of his speech there were a couple of interruptions—telegrams, a blackout—and the dinner adjourned before Moss could finish

down.

Bewildered, Moss arose to deliver his address. As he glid, the orchestra sounded a fanfare, a couple of wrestlers grunted and groaned on the stage; litterbug danced; an organ grinder and, a monkey paraded through; there was a 'we want Willkie' rally, while Moss intantibly tried to make himself heaven.

Then the guests arose and left in a body. Tke' Levy announced regret-fully to Edgar that he'd have to fin-ish the speech at another time. Moss is still hoping.

Sid Young Re-elected

20th-Fox tax department but nov devoting all his time to the presi dency of Screen Office & Profes sional Employees Guild, N. Y., was re-elected to that post for another year at an annual meeting held during the past week.

ing the past week.

Other officers elected include Sam
Shapiro, 20th, vice president; Harry
Goldsmith, United Artists, secretarytreasurer; Grace Walsh, RKO, recording secretary; Tillie Stein, National Screen Service, corresponding
secretary, and Rose Valenstein, UA, sergeant-at-arms.

ergeant-at-arms.

An exec board of 12 and a trial oard of four were also filled for an-Kelly, RKO; Hy Salant, 20th; Ruth McDonald, UA and Henny Levy

Pitt. Drops Off to New Lows Albeit Durbin Fine \$11,000; 'Pursuit' Sad 12G

Just one word this week-Ouch!

Fre-Xma starna is traditionally bad but the tradition being abused the business of the star of

Harris (Harris) (2,300; 30-60)— Butter's Sister' (U). Not one of Dur-bin's strongest but it's the likeliest fooking buy in town. May go to \$11, 000, fine trade on his week. Las-week, second of Guadalcanal Diary' (20th) \$7.50, in 8 days.

(20th), 37.506, in 6 days.
Futon (Shee) (1.700, 30-60)—Mad
Ghou! (U) and Son Dracula' (U).
Should do \$\$5,000, mild but all that
can be expected this week, Last
and Rains Came (20th), \$\$5,000.
Fenu (Loew's-UA) (3.300, 30-60)—
Fenu (Loew's-UA) (3.300, 30-60)—
Northern Purstift (WB), Bad week
to contend with, so hungry \$12,000
is all. Last week, Lasse Come

\$12,500, wsappointment at Bitz (WB) (800; 30-60)—Old Acquaintance (WB) (3d wh). Moved here from Warner and Ritz, slim \$2,200. Last week, Girl Crazy (MG) same roule to this smallseater, \$3,500 cm.

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Frisco Still Wobbly But 'Old Okla.' \$27,000, 'Butler's Sis' 181/2G, Both Oke

BUFFALO COPS HOLLER HELP' IN ROWDY WAVE

Buffalo, Dec. 21. nt stories as to vandalism

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Recurrent stories as to vandalism in local picture theatres and other management poor came to a head last management poor came to a head last management processes and the state of the children's Ald Society. Officials called on parents in Coatre managers interviewed aftested generally to the prevalence of rebellious youngsters. Some of the managers interviewed attested generally some control of the contr

Xmas Pitch Continued from page 1

be serviced by stage and radio per-

conviced by stage and radio per-formers.

Over the Yuletide circuit will,
travel Ginger Rogers, Heey Lamarr,
Olivia de Havilland,
Francis, Dick
Powell, Robert Young, Mickey,
Rooney, Walter Pidgeon, Fred MacMurray, Warner Baster, Wallace
Beery, Franchot Tone and a host of
others

Beery, Franchot Tone and a hot of others.

And from the Breadway legislating vanishing the stage of the stage

of England.

Xmas radio shows on all the major networks will feature 'round-the-globe programs, with two-way shows set up so that the boys over there can extend the Yuletide wishes for a speedy ulctory and a happier New Year to the folks back home.

Billy Rose

N. J. cle Ziegfeld is one of New York's m

restrictions.
Ziegfeld is one of New York's most imposing theatters. It was completed reporting the property in the Straus firm. Late Flo Ziegfeld opened: the house in 127 with; Rio Rita; and operated it successfully with legit for years, although its location at 54th and 55th earth of the strain of the successfully with legit for persons of the complete of the successfully with legit did and the house went into pictures. Rose sought possession of the Ziegfeld for his 'Garmen Lones', currently at the Broadway, but there was a sit the time that he would relimite the spot after the Carmeri run. With small likelihood of new legit theatter being built for years to come. Rose long but years to get the street being built for years to come. Rose

small likelihood of new legit theatres being built for years to come. Rose now figures the Ziegfeld can again fare well with stage attractions. Plans include the development of grand operatic themes and scores to operetta or musical comedy useage, as instanced by the new treatment diven (Carmer) and its expertance as

as instanced by the new treatment given (Carmer) and its acceptance as 'Carmen' Jones' colored-cast hit.
Another theatre outside the show zone has been purchased by the colored shad been purchased by the shown of the show as displayed about the time. House as Sdopped about the time the Shuberts went into receivership. It was originally called Johon's and has since had, several names. Last season Yiddish attractions abandoned the spot.

San Francisco, Dec. 21.

Prevalent flu and Christmas shopping are blamed for a general ict-down in nearly all first-run houses.

Estimates for This Week.

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Alenzar (F-WC) (1,149; 75-\$1,56).

North Star' (RKO) (5th wk). Foor \$4,00. Last week, asd \$5,000.

Fox (F-WC) (5,000; 55-75).

"Frue to Life' (Par) and Trag' (WB). Mild \$25,000. Last week, 'Northern Pursuit' (WB) and 'Campus Rhythm' (WB), fair \$21,000.

(WB), fair \$21,000.

Paramount (F-WC) (2,470; 55-75).

'In Old Oklahoma' (Rep) and 'Here Comes Elmer' (20th). Stout \$27,000. Last week, 'Bost Foot Forward' (M-G) and 'Criminal Case' (M-G), so-so \$2500.

\$22,500.

St. Francis (F-WC) (1,475; 55-75)—
Best Foot Forward (M.G) and
'Criminal Case' (M.G.) Nice \$14,000.
Last week, Girl Crazy' (M.G) and
Find Blackmailer (WB), mild

Last week, Girl Crasy (M-C) and Sind Blackmailer (WB), mild Sindstein (WB), mild SWarfeld (E-WC) (2.550, 55-75)—(Corres-School' (WB) and Girls on Probation (WB) and Girls on Golden Gate (RKO) (2.56) (55-751.—Government Girl (RKO) plus on Golden Gate (RKO) (2.56) (55-751.—Government Girl (RKO) plus on Golden Gate (RKO) (2.56) (55-751.—Government Girl (RKO) plus on Golden Girls (RKO) plus on
'Cross,' Hefty \$15,000, Pacing Rugged Prov.

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Providence, Dec. 21.

Cre to being enjoyed hereabouts with but sight slagening in recent hefty permitted at the providence of the pr

WB Seals Stanwyck

Hollywood, Dec. 21.

Barbara Stanwyck, currently playing top role in 'My Reputation' at Warners, has been signed to a term contract.

Star had been working on the lot for a month under a one-picture

PRC's Upped Budgets

Upped budgets for 'Minstrel Man,' When Lights Go On Again' and others, and realignment of the sales staff, were outlined for Producers Releasing Corp. last week by Leo staff, were used to start week by Leo J. McCarthy, new sales manager who supplanted Arthur Greenblatt.

McCarthy, formerly assistant general sales chief, pointed out that increased budgets on several recent productions have been justified by an upbeat in sales.

Earle Heads for Philly House Record. \$48.500. 'Butler's' Nice At \$21.500

Philadelphia, Dec. 21.
There's a general letdown at the boxoffice at downtown deluxers this week, due mainly to the continuance of fits epidemic (now on the wane) and the season of fits epidemic (now on the wane) and the season of Philadelphians during the week before Christmas. Only the spearance of Frank Sinatra and a Earle, which hiddel its prices for the appearance of Frank Sinatra and a chalking up unprecedented grosses.

New pix making their bow this par Butter's Sister. Philam Sparrow and the viceted, and the season of th Philadelphia, Dec. 21,

workleaters at the wickets.

Estimates for This Week
Aldine (WB) (1,303: 75-\$1.10)—

Bell Tolls' (Par) (Thi wit) Winds
up long and softable run at upped
prices, with \$10,800 for finale. Sixth
week okay \$13,500. 'Government Cirl'
(RKO) opens tomorrow with prices
returned to nownal (35-75).

CRKO) opens ionorrow, with price returned to normal (35-76). 3-750—Fired Wife (f) (2d run). Sour St.—Fired W

meekly after nice start, \$17,600.

Fox (WB) (2.245; 35-75)—'Butler's
Sister' (U) Good \$18,300 added to
nice, \$3,200 for Sunday showing at
Earle. Last week, 'Crazy House' (U)
pallid \$12,500.

pallid \$12,500.

Karlton (Goldman) (1,000; 35-75)—
'Under Two Flags' (20th) (reissue)
(2d wk). Holdover of oldie so-so
\$4,500. Last week, falr \$5,200. \$4.300. Last week, falr \$5,200. Keith's (Goldman) (2.20; 35-75)—
'Guacialeanal Diary' (20th) (2a run). Fair \$6,000. Last week, 'Corvete K.225' (U), poor \$3,800 for second run,
Mastbaum. (WB) (4,692; 35-75)—
Ola Acquaintance' (WB) (2d wk).
N.S.H. \$17,500. Last week, fair \$25,500.

Stanley (WB) (2,916; 35-75)—'Fall-en Sparrow' (RKO). Okay \$18,000. Last week 'Sahara' (Col), mediocre \$13,200 for third week after two solid

Stanton (WB) (1,475; 35-75)—'Son of Dracula' (U). Not too bad at \$8,-500. Last week, 'Hostages' (Par), sour \$6,000 for second canto.

Mpls. Biz in Doghouse; 'Salute,' \$8,000, Is Ace, 'Dood It' Mild at 7G

The week before Christmas is had enough in itself at picture houses but this year situation is agravated this year situation is agravated stricted street car and bus transportation, that's really something. So, it's little wonder that the three leading newcomers, Salute to the Marines, tough going. A floretage, are having lough going.

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Jacky, Fellow, Mr. Smith' (Col) split
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(Jacky, Fellow, Mr. Smith' (Gol) and
Glidersleeve on Broadway' (RKO).

Century (P.S.) (1800 46.58).—

Century (P-S) (1.800; 40-55)—
Hostages (Par) Light \$5,000 probably about all. Last week, Princess
O'Rourke' (WB) (2d wk), good \$6,
300, making nifty \$19,300 for fortnight,

night,

Gopher (P-S) (1,000; 35)—Aidrich
Haunts House (Par) and Battle
Russia (20th). Looks like oke \$4,00. Last week, Trail Lonesome
Pime (Par) (reissue, good \$4,00).

Lyrie (P-S) (1,091; 40-55)—Northare Pursuil: (WB) (2d wk), Okay
\$5930, Last week, True to Life
Ornel of wk), sag \$5,000.

Broadway Grosses

'ACQUAINTANCE' BEST IN SLOW NEW'K, \$18,500

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job. Paramouni (Adano-Pa) (2,000; 38-83)—No Time for Love (Par) and 'Aldrien Haunti Bouse (Par) (3d wk), tidy \$12,000. Last week, sampy \$15,000; (3,400; 38-81,10)—Holy Matrimony (20th) and Parls After Dark (20th) Pale \$14,500. Last week, Tron Major (RKO) and 'Fall (Claudia' (20th) and 'Cangway' .

day).

State (Loew's) (2,800: 30-85)—
'Heat's On' (Col) and 'Something
About a Soldier' (Col), frigid \$13000. Last week, 'Cross of Lorraine'
(M-G) and 'Is Everybody Happy?'
(M-G), tep its \$14,500.

METRO BRANCH MGRS.

INTO N.Y. FOR POWWOW Metro is mulling plans to bring its branch managers into New York for a sales meeting in the near future. It would be the first time in three years that M-G branch managers have been called in for home office

Sales execs are considering the move as a means of providing closer contact with field forces.

Gerard's Double Takeoff

William Gerard draws a double Trimain Gerard, draws a double chore to break in his new contract as producer at 20th-Fox. Added starter is Murder Around the Clock, to be directed by Ben Stoloff.
Previously Gerard had been assigned producership of 'Ladies' in Washington', which Louis King will direct. Both pictures roll this week.

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Hurts; 'Down Under' 104C

Moitreal, Dec. 21.
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sesh.
Princess. (CT) (2.500; 30-52)—Tex.
as to Tokio! (U) and "Paleon Co-eds
(RKO). Pointing nice \$6,000 in tough
week. Last week, "Dangerous
Blondes" (Col) and Luck, Mr. Yates
(Col), hot \$5,500

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Boxoffice is in low gear this week, only Lassic Come Home being able to be Limited to the Lassic Come Home being able to be Limited to the Lassic Come Home being able to be Lassic Come Home being able to be Lassic Come Las

winstame Brooklyn' (M.-G.) Media-cre \$5.000, Last week, Girl. Crazy' Carle (1998) (19

'Lovely' for a Takeoff Hollywood, Dec. 21.

First task for Adrian Scott under his new associate producer contract at RKO is 'Farewell My Lovely,' based on a novel by Raymond. Chandler,' Scott recently accommendation of the contract of the contra

Hipp (Shea) (2,100; 35-65)— Guadaleanal Diary (20th) and Find Blackmailer (WB) Moveover from Buffalo. Limp \$7,500. Last week, Old Acquaintanec (WB) and Yanks Ahoy (WB) (2d wk), satisfactory \$9,000. Chandler.
Scott recently completed a scripting chore on 'Susie Slagle' at the same studio.

CAMPLAUS POSTWAR PACT

Hollywood, Dec. 21.
Warners has signed George Gam
peau to a term contract effective
when he is mustered out of the Army.

He was one of the first young players at the studio to enlist three years ago.

L. A. Blames Rain, Flu. Pre-Xmas For Sloppy Biz; 'Curie' \$52,000, 4 Spots. Pursuit' 41G in Three, Both N.S.H.

Key City Grosses

Estimated Total Gross
This Week\$2,069,000
(Based on 22 cities, 176 theaters, chiefly first runs, including N. Y.) Total Gross Same Week

Last Year\$1,756,400 Based on 25 cities, 176 theatres) 'DOOD IT' DRAB \$8.500

with holding extra in pictures strength on screens, slump only continues in about same groove as last week. D'Artega band with 'Something About Soldier' at Orpheum looks leader.

Estimates for This Week Orpheum (Tristates) (3,000; 20-65)
—Something About Soldier' (Col.)
and D'Artega all-girl orch on stage.
Modest \$11,500 or near. Last week,
This is Washington' (RKO) with
Louis Frima orch on stage, fell under \$11,500, for first thus in weeks.

onaha (Trisiates) (2,000; 11-55)—Best Foot Forward (M-G). Moved from Paramount with added first-run feature, City Stopped Hiller Lagit (2010), Last week, Happy 12 (2010), Tornado (Par), mild \$7,300.

'Corvette,' 'Tartu' Each

\$10,000 in Dismal Buff. Buffalo, Dec. 21.

Theatre biz is marking time currently, all attractions being way of Only one to buck trend even half-way is Lassie Come Home in second week at Lakes.

week at Lakes.

Estimates for This Week

Buffalo (Shea) (3,500; 35-65)—
"Tarty" (M-G) and "Young Ideas"
(M-G). Tame \$10,000 or near. Last
week (Guadalcanal Diary" (20th) and
Tind Blackmailer (WB), neat
\$16,500

\$16,500.
Great Lakes (Shea) (3,000; 35-65)
"Lassie Come Home" (M-G) and
'Paris After Dark' (20th) (2d wk).
Fair \$9,000. Last week, solid \$14,000.

\$9,000.

Corvette (U) and Gals, Inc. (U).
So-so \$10,000. Last week, Son of Dracula' (U) and Mad Ghoul' (U), snappy \$11,000.

IN MEDIOCRE OMAHA Omaha, Dec. 21.
With nothing extra in picture rength on screens, slump only con-

Fig. rain and usual pre-Xmas Ivil are contributing to saging boxoffice four West Coast houses, is, pening oly with \$25,000, while Northern the Coast houses, is, pening oly with \$25,000, while Northern the Coast houses, is, pening looks only mild \$15,500 or near what howevener at the two Paramounts, looks only mild \$15,500 or near what howevener are the two Paramounts, looks only mild \$15,500 or near what howevener was the two Paramounts, looks only mild \$15,500 or near what howeven a year good, it is much the same with other films, though Sahara, have a period of the coast of the playing solo weekends, is sturely street for second session. Estimates for This Week

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Carthay Circle (F-WC) (1,516; 4590) — Flesh Fantasy' (U) and
Mystery Broadcast' (Rep) (2d wk)
(5 days), Sad \$2,500 on short week
after stout \$7,400 last week.

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Chinese (Grauman-WC) (2,034
90)—Madame Curle (M-G). \$
\$13,000. Last week. Flesh Fan
(U) and Mystery Broadcast (6
6 days), good \$11,800.

Downtown (WB) (1,800, 45-90).

Northern Pursuif: (WB). So-so \$18,000. Last week, 'Old Acquaintance' (WB). (3d wk), good \$13,200 in eight days.

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Egyptian (F-WC) (1,535; 45-90)—
'Corvette' (U) and 'Something About
Soldier' (Col) (2d wk). Droopy
\$5,000 after moderate \$7,200 last

der \$11,000, for first time in weeks.

Paramouni (Tristates) (2,000; 1155)—Dood 1t (M-C). Fairly, nice
\$5,00. Last week, Best Foot Forward (M-C), fair \$8,000.

Bransles (Mort Singer (1,500; 30Bransles (1,5 \$5.000 after moderate \$7.200 last week, Four Star (UA-WC) (990; 45-75)—Flesh Fantias (U) and Mythel Broadcast (Rep). Okay \$5.500 Last (Rep). Okay \$6.500 Last (Rep). Okay \$6.5

mid \$7500. •• eight days).

Loo Acceles (Prown-We) (2.20):
45-00 -- Carvette' (U) and Something Soldier' (Cal) (2d wk). Tepid \$10.500. Last week, average \$14.500.

Grpheum (Drown) (2.0% 40-5). -
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Hobby Lobby Revue on stage Silm 41.500. Last week; Trag (WB) with Helen Forrest on stage, solid, \$43,200.

\$18,200. Pan (2,812), 45-90).

Sahara (Col) and Dangerous Blondes (Col) (2d wk). Top film singled again Saturday and Sunday for ordinary \$11,500. Last week, big \$23,000.

\$23,000. Last week, big
Paramount (F&M) (3,389, 45-50)—
Hostages (Par) and Here Comes
Elmer (Rep), Wealt \$13,500. Last
week, 'In Old Oklahoma' (Rep) and
'Good Fellows' (Par) (2d wk), grand
\$15,200.
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Man Down Under (M-G), sour Upder (M-G), sour Updewn (W-G) (1,718; 45-80)—Madame Curle' (M-G), Good 8,800, Lat week: Flesh Fantasy (U) and Mystery Brodecast' (Rep.) 47,800 Wilshire (W-G), 22,809, 45-80)—Offst run this week for firm \$10,800, Lat week, Whisting Brooklyn' (M-G) and Man Down Under (M-G), and M-G), (M-G), (M-G

snappy \$11,000, 20th Century (Ind.) (3,000, 35-95) — Union Pacific' (Par) and Souls at Sea' (Par) (re-issues). This \$9-, 000, Last week, 'Iron Major' (RKO) and 'Gildersleeve on Broadway' (RKO), bright \$13,000 NATIONAL BOXOFFICE SURVEY

new attractions braving the combo threat of cold weather, week-before-Kmas full and prevalence flu. Numerous spots merely coasted along, preferring

Pine (Gar) (resists), a mod \$4400.

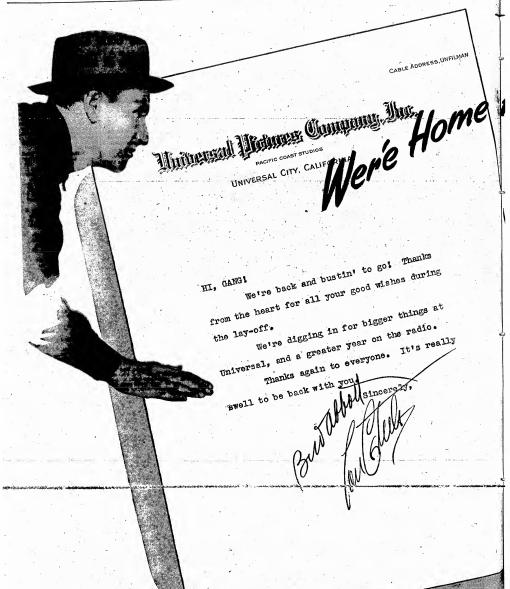
The (B-S) (100): 40.55)—Northern Pursuit (WB) (d wk). Okay \$500.

The week, True to Live (The Care of the Care of

it has lately, rousing \$20,000 in Washington and big \$17,000 in Denver, tops in both cities, being outstand-ing. 'In Old Oklahoma' (Rep) continues strong with a robust \$27,000 in Frisco and great \$8,000 in second

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hat \$20,000.

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Music Hall, N. Y. Selma Kaye, George Young, Choral Ensemble, Adriana & Charly, Alf Loyal, Corps de Ballet, Rock-ettes, Erno Rapee and Symphony Orch; 'Madame Curie' (M-G), re-viewed in 'Variety', Nov. 24, '48.

Orch, 'Madome' Curre' M. G., 'reviewed in Variety,' Nov. 24, '38.

Radio City Music Hall's annual
Xmas holiday show has become on a
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time sequence is one will such a considerate the bids as well as growning.

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flag.

House was near-capacity when caught opening night (16). Rose.

Orpheum, L. A.

Los Angeles, Dec. 15.
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Fays in a tumbling routine.
Individual acts spot the Novellos, classy, dance team, and the Manhattan Trio, mixed bilanding combo that rates head and shoulders above Working in evening clothes, trio sports a thrilling and graceful routine, with the fermme member working as understander and bearing the Trio and the state of the st

ing as understander and bearing the brunt of the work.

The Arnaut brothers furnish the concey background via their bucker and violation of the control of t

Closing, Dave Apollon is groovy, per usual, with his three Filipino boys getting the nod for a neat feeding job.

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Albee, Cincy

Cincinnati, Dec. 18.

Merry Macs (4), Cliff Edwards,
Boran Minevitch's Harmonic Rascals
(8), Chester Fredericks & Kaye Wilson, Nelson, Sisters (2), Deke Mojfitt's House Orch (13); 'Dangerous
Biondes' (Col).

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Disney's 'Pinocchio'. Left' em hunstry.

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State, N. Y.

Nick Kenny, Trizie, Radio Rambiers (3), Harry Savoy with Helene Hogan, Amy Arnell, James Barton, 'Swing Time Johnny' (U), reviewed in this issue.

Capitol, Wash.

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Luctenne & Afour, Edwards Bros.
San Jack Kaufman's Orch; Cross of Lordine (M-G).

Lorraine (M-C).
Three times the Kautnan orch was obliged to change its overture as various musicians went down with "ful," men who were counted on as various musicians went down with "ful," men who were counted on the country of the counter of the country of the counter of the country of th

whose eccentic dancing goes over with a bang. The Edwards Bros. open show in neat, garnet dressing. They are small and nimble and their acrobatics are delivered with speed and skill. Well received.—Lucienne & Ashour do their Apache in re-verse, with the male taking much of the nounding.

verse, with the male taking much of the pounding.

Gene Ford is giving these routine vaude programs plenty of production, with the stage nicely set and lighted for, each act. A short but entertaining show.

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Miss Rae is an excellent straight.
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Majestic, San Antonio

Sun Antonio, Dec. 15.
Andrews Sisters (3): Mitch
Ayres Orch (15) with Dick Dyer
Ruth McCuilough, Johnny Bond,
Tim Herbert, Billy Severin; 'Young
Ideas' (M-G).

Interstate Circuit has another bell ringer in this revue headed by Andrews Sisters. They are ably supported by Mitch Ayres and his crew of musicians and several novelty acts which is clicking at the turnstities at all performances.

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The 50-minute show gets under way with a band with mission and way with a band with mission and way with a band with mission and way with a band with a ba

Too Old-and the 'Cow, Cow Boogle.'
Billy Severin has a rottime of tap
dances which get over nicely. Comday roller is handled well. by Tim
Herbert. His Impressions 180 news.
His Impressions of a Russian
Ambassador, motion pic. satars.
Katharine Hepburn, George Saunders and Ronald Coleman are outstanding.

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Bugle Boy' and 'Pistol Packin' Mama' and then come back with their latest hit time 'Shoo Shoo Baby,' As an encore girls revive—many times which are identified with them. Among group was 'Bl Mir Bist Du Schoen,' Victory Polka, 'Beer Barrel Polka' and 'Ill Be With You in

Keith's, Indals.

Indianapolis, Dec. 18.

Parmalee & Davidson, Lois Colc,
Lane & Small, Les Lester & Rusty,
Josephine Boyer, Fay's Cats, Ed
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Dark' (Rep),

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Earle, Philly
Philadelphia, Dec. 17,
Frank Sinatra, Jan Savitt Orch
(23), Buddy Welcome, Cookie Bouers, Three Wells; 'Mystery Broadcast' (Rep).

mything solution and certainly mything as solutions, The Vollee is making the last stop in his current trip around the theater circuit prior to hopping off to Hollywood and the Like the couls opening reception in Pittsburgh. The Pittsburgh of the Hollywood and the Like the couls opening the Hollywood and the Like the couls of the Hollywood and the Like the couls of the Hollywood and the History of the Hollywood and the History of the Hollywood and the History of the

National, L'ville

Tunzafire' with Benny Merof, Sammy White, Mage & Karr, Jack Gwynne & Co. Kitty McLaughtin, Prof. Chier, Betty McLaughtin, Parker, Earle Keller's House Orth (12); 'Unknown Guest' (Mono).

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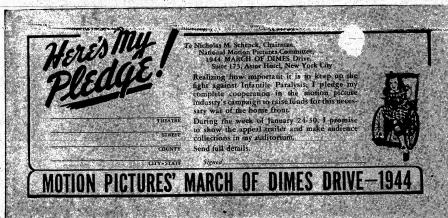
BOB (Champion-of-Champions) HOPE

BING (Ace-Singer-and-M.C.) CROSBY

"God grant a
Merry Christmas
to you who
remember us,
the less
fortunate."



It's a Christmas card that spreads true happiness. Mail it Today!



Some Service Returners But More Femme Mgrs.: Theatres-Exchanges

hower the given release from Blanch and Rangy
Harry Jacobson new manager Stone. United Detroit put in James Eas-son as manager of its loop Palms-State. Irving Katcher has taken over the Russell. Milton Zimmerman named booker at Universal Ex-change. Ben Zimmerman and George Sampson added as salesmen at RKO.

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Pittsburgh Skiftings.

Pittsburgh Dec. 21.

Sid Dickler appointed manager of Was Belmarch Hestrer.

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of the children, makes weeks ago.
Charlie Baron, Metro exploiteer, received citation from the Marine
Corps for his cooperation in the recent recruiting drive for women's re-

serves.
Pvt. Peter A. Peters, brother of S. A. Peters. Sisterville, W. Va., exhib, accidentally drowned while on Army maneuvers at Camp Richie, Md.

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tal.

Jack Judd closed theatrical posterservice here, and his business has
been liquidated.

George Josack, Jr., long-time theatre manager here and in Hollywood,
where he was last at the Music Box,
as joined WB managerial staff here
and will shortly be assigned to a
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Others elected at the annual meeting Saturday (18) in the Variety
(10b) Tent Swere Bob Burns, Warner Bros, and Mark Cummins, RKO,
v.p.s, Peter. Niland, Columbia, secrelary-treasurer.
Installation dinner takes
Feb. 14 in the Netherland Plaza
hotel.

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Mrs. Sexton's 3d Buy Ironton, O., Dec. 21.
Mrs. Fon Sexton, Ashland, Ky, purchased Marlow theatre building at cost of \$70,000. She owns three theatres in the city.

Ornstein's Chere
Bill Ornstein, Metro publicist, has
been appointed sales contact for the
publicity department in New York.
Assignment is in addition to his
other duties.

Film Booker's Shindig Chicago, Dec. 21. Some Shineuests attended party Fred by Film 5500-215 Conder Fred Chicago Conder Evening was devoted to games and entertainment by Gene, the Magician Club voted to send members in the service a money order for \$5 and a subscription to trade paper.

Tri-States Shift
Des Moines, Dec. 21.
William Beckley, manager Strand
(Tri-States) has resigned. Sucproposed to the stranger Strand
(Tri-States) has resigned. Suc(Tri-States) and manager Hiland (Tri-States) named manager of
Paramount to succeed R. B. Shelton,
army. Leonard formerly managed
for Tri-States.

McClure's Breakdown C. 21.

Stremous Kansas City, Dec. 21.

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Subbing for Hubby Van Alstyne, Tex., Dec. 21.
Mrs. Ran Hall named manager of the Azlec theatre, owned and operated by Lutzer Bros. of Dallas. Mrs. Hall takes over duties of husband who is in the armed forces.

Garfield With Warners
Sid Garfield formerly with Paramount and Columbia Pictures, last
week joined Mort Blumenstock's
publicity staff at Warner's home
office in N. Y.
M. M. Schneiderman; Warners' for-

eign manager in Panama, in N. X. from Panama City last week to arrow his draft call in Brooklyn. See the seek of the control o

Latin Pix in Ft. Worth C. 21.
Latin pictures here two days a week has been inaugurated by the Majestic. It probably will lead to the opening of a Pan-American the-

Magestee a growth of a Fan-American the-stre here.

Jack Danciger, welly oil open-per and moreary Mexican consul-in fort Worth schools and colleges, asking support of the program. He asking support of the program. He heatte recently opened in Dallas meeting with success.

Barry Burte, former city manager (Texas), named city manager for the circuit's theatres here replacing armed forces. Burke is to be re-placed by Paul Hudgins.

Bounds Takes Over Ritz

Texarkana, Tex., Dec. 21.

Ritz theatre purchased from Garland Nelson by C. C. Bounds, owner and operator of the Princess and Palace nabe houses here.

Douglas Upped by R & R Circuit Don C. Douglas, former booker of the R & R Circuit has been upped to public relations director for the group.

Egyptian Becomes Studio, S. F. San Francisco, Dec. 21. San Francisco's Egyptian theatre recently purchased by Robert L Lippert, will be opened Christmas as the Studio, first run.

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24th-Fox Sales Campaign
Starting Sunday (19) the N. Y. exchange of 20th-Fox will inaugurate a
special sales drive as part of an Idnationally. The N. Y. push will be
in charge of Ray Moon, N. Y. branch
manager, and will be captained by
Joseph St. Clair, executive assistant
to Moon. Prizes will be awarded.

Harry Goldsmith Feted Buffalo, Dec. 21, Variety Club of Buffalo. Saturday night hosted Harry Goldsmith for-mer Western New York Schine booker who left for the Army this week. Basil organization also gave

Inside Stuff—Pictures

George Bridery, Columbia writer, nedfised all story estimate, in Ridlywood that his Americanized version at the old Blact opers, Cusman, under the active Course of the old Blact opers, Cusman, under the thick Carmes From Sconda, Jade been registered with the Screen Writers Guids in March, 1940. Heas was prompted by the Broadway success of the Billy Rose play, 'Carmen Jones,' another Americanized version of the old Spanish theme. Bricker explained that he had retained two lawyers, one in Hollywood and one in New York, to investigate any similarity between market. 'I am merely exercising due dilligence at this time,' Bricker delared, 'before a pletture purchase is made, instead of allowing the matter to drag out to the point where it might assume the proportions of another Letty Lynton.' Blact is dead and his famous work is in public domain in the United States, I happen to be very much live, however, and if there for a modern Carmen' with an American locale, I will naturally seek proper legal redress.

While Warner Bros. was active in the general bidding for 'Winged Victory,' which 20th-Fox finally got after paying \$1,000,000 cash down. WB seces in New York weren't too keen about the dise of a contradictory are considered to the second paying the second paying the contradictory arrangement. The latter is almost non-profit, whereas 'Victory' is a comercial arrangement. 20th mist spend \$2,500,000 before it can share in anything, a million going for the advance payment and a million and a haif for estimated production cost: A condition of the deal, also, is that the oxiginal Broadway cast, so far as the servicemen only are concerned, must be used; no same adultions.

Black markets are blacked out at one of the major studios where the boss has issued orders to all purchasing agents to buy nothing above res-carding the property of the property of the property of the without them. Exec explained that a flum studio, purchasing great quan-tities and varieties of merchandise, can do much to prevent inflation by refusing to deal with black marketeers. All vouchers in excess of regular ceiling prices will be turned down.

Metro has taken 'Gone With the Wind' out of circulation as in Nov. I has after twice postporting the withdrawal of the time. "Act and to planned bookings continued so strong that the later date was finally fixed. Metro exces, from accounts, figure they must withdraw the picture entirely for a time so as to be able to release it as a resissue in due course."

Holel space is so scarce in Hollywood that-several major studios have been renting suites and apartments on a regular monthly besis to take care of visiting film exces and other mogula who require special treatment, in some cases the cost is liquidated by sub-titing the holet accommodations to less fortunate producers, who pay premiums to find quarters for visiting biggets.

Pistol Packin Mama' was fast on the draw at Republic, where the picture was rushed through the studio at top speed to cash in on the songs current vogue. Herbert J Yates, Republic chief, handed the production job to Eddy White with orders to all departments to sidetrack all other films and give 'Mama' the green light at any cost. Picture is now showing in the east as one of the song title series.

Only three picture people, Wallace Beery, Capt. Clark Gable and Lt. Col. Jack L. Warner were invited to the Orville Wright 40th anniversary dinner in Washington. Incidentally, Frank Tichener, aviation mag publisher and pioneer film writer and producer, was prominent in the general arrangements of the function.

Walter Wanger Pictures, Inc., New York, recently filed a notice of change of capital stock to \$150,100, \$100 par value. Notice of change of directors was also filed with the Secretary of State in Albany by attorney Abraham L. Beinstock, 30 Broad street, N. Y. city.

New York engagement of 'She Defends Her Country,' Russlan-made film that follows N. Y. engagement of 'North Star' at the Victoria theatre, is the first Russian film spoken in English.

Star, Harrisburg, Sold
Harrisburg, Pa. Dec. 21.
William H. Whyte, of Philly, has
purchased Star theatre from William
C. Karrer. He will remodel and install new projection and screen
equipment.

Bower, Sturdivant Upped
Hollywood, Dec. 21.
Charles Skouras has promoted two
of his district managers—George
Bower and B. V. Sturdivant—to diout of the Fox West Coast district
Bower is now looking after let
houses in Southern California and
Arizona, and Sturdivant has been
tres in Northern California.

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Wolfberg, Leaves Metro 2.

Horris P. Wolfberg, Dec 21.

Horris P. Wolfberg, S. Soudi district manager, when the worm of the company, it was announced at the solge confab here. No reason was given for his sudden departure from the firm.

firm. No successor will be appointed, it having been decided to assign the St. Louis, Cincinnati and Indianapolis branches, which he supervised, to other district managers.

Win Eviction Suit Damages of \$6,286 awarded Fox Intermountain Theatres in U. S. dis-trict court. Fox Theatres was forced

the control distinct to Gerald Westergen, former publicity head of Basil circuit, also to Army.

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Baleriage's New Berth
Tommy Baldridge has quit the Vertype of the Very State of th

Huffman Back to Denver Fest Robert W. Huffman, who resigned as M-G Denver field representative several months ago to join the U. S. Maritime Service, got honorable dis-charge, and back to former assign-ment.

Dunn Goes to Margolles
Jim Dunn, formerly with 20th-Fox
homeoffice publicity staf, is working
on 'Coastal Command' as his first
exploitation-publicity to for the Al
Margolles publicity office. Film is
being distributed by RKO.
Flock of radio tleups are being
worked out on 'Command.

Chain's 8th Anni
Springfield Mass, Dec. 21.
Western Massachusetts Theatres,
Inc. this week celebrating eighth
cludes the Paramount, Arrade and
Broadway in this city, and 15 others
as far north as Brattlebor, Vt., was
organized by Nathan E. Goldstein,
present president.



Fakirs Out-Fake Fakers

comedies, and once they go for an years in Syracuse and Rochester is American film star they go all the in India as is also Paul Kruus, 3d, way. There we propriet a continue for the continue fo

ribly expensive.

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Again hune in the morning, and
another in the evening. Flimgous
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ange record in the wave executed to go to America and play all the Air Corps installations. (Since written, news of Major Robinsov's death in action has been received in the U.S.—Ed) voritie ja Airo proving a GI Favorite ja Airo proving conditions. High on, the favorite list & Ray Hulse, a 20-lb, lad from Battimore, who are presenting and the control of the contro

Chartie Sievert There
Came over on the boat with
Chartie Sievert former nitery editor
of the N. World Telegram, now a
FFC In the Air Corps, Katharine
Lawson, who appeared with Lunt
and Fontanne in several shows, is a
new arrival in India and heading
one of the Red Cross offices. She's
proving a swell trouper and getting
things done.

things done. Most official to the control of the co Most outfits try to stage a dance,

ance with numerous or emissed men.

American magazines and papers,
when they get here, are from three
to four months late. But better late
than never, for the lads who receive
them avidly eat up all the hometown news.

BESA's Show Biz Pitch
An organization whose prestige is
leaping abead is the BESA. That's
a civilian organization, presential
in the state of the st

in the States.

Joel McCrea and Joe E. Brown are in India entertaining the boys and Al Josen is rumored as coming over upon recovering from his illness. Harry Barris, once the original Rhythm Boye (Bing Crosby, Almher and Barris, who were standed to the control of the control

ice officer.

Addison Bailey, for years Eddle
Davis' piano player, who arrived
here last year as a Corp, has done
such swell nrk that he received a
direct commiss. ", and is now Spe-

cial Service Officer in China for the 14th Air Force. The crying need for the boys in India is flesh entertainment, especially gals, and newer and brighter pictures. The ones we have seen are at least a year old. And tell the boys to drop by for a visit one of these Japunhappy days.

STREETCAR STOPPAGE NO HELP TO MPLS, LOOP

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unified in the street car anounced that after-theater transportation would have to be cut up
to 50%. The union took its no overtime action in protest against the
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along-standing arbitration award of
an 8c an hour wage increase, retroactive to Jan.
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Studio Contracts

Continued from page 8

Frank Fenton and Lynn Root con-Frank Fenton and Lynn Root con-tracted as writing team at RKO.

Johnny Weissmuller signed by Sol
Lesser for three pictures.

Melville Burke, production assist-ant, optioned by RKO.

Adelaide Norris drew player ticket at Paramount.

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Edward Dmytryk, director, renewed by RKO.
Sieve Winston's player contract renewed by RKO.
Dorothy Day drew player pact at

Susan Hayward renewed by Par-

Tom Burton's acting option lifted by RKO.

Barbara Hale inked player pact at RKO.

Sydney Greenstreet's option lifted Warners.

by Warners.
Colleen Townsend's minor contract
with Warners approved by court.
Harry Clay's player option taken
up by RKO.
Robert Anderson, actor, renewed

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Larsson Heads Boothmen

Projectionists Local 150 swept the old LATSE leaders out of office by an overwhelming vote at the annual election.

election.
E. W. Larsson beat E. C. Hamilan for the presidency, 244 to 98, and George Shaffer was elected business manager over E. L. Robbins by 242 to 98.

STORY BUYS

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Film Reviews

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Up With the Lark (BRITISH-MADE)

(Songs) London, Dec. 1.

New Realm Pictures production and re-lease. Directed by Phil Brandon. Stars Ribel Reynell, Gracie West. Screenplay, James Seymeur from original story by Val Valentine. At Rialto, London, Nov. 25, 43. Running time, 83 MINS.

me, 83 MINS.

Ethel Revnell
Gracie West
Anthony Holles
Anthony Hulme
Johnny Schoffeld
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If you can picture Martha Raye and the properties of th

Brandon's direction is as good as the story deserves.

Of seven songs, 'A Place in the Sun for Everyone' and 'You're a Sweetheart in a Million' are good.

Overland Mail Robbery

Republic release of Louis Gray produc-tion. Directed by John English. Features Wild Bill Elliott, George Clasby! Hayes, Anna Jeffreys. Story and screenplay, Rob-charles Crawn, John MacDurnies editor, New York, N. T., week Dec. 14, 48, dual. Running time, 56 MINS. Wild Bill. Wild Bill Elliott Cabby. George Cabby Hayes

Gabby
Judy Goodrich
Judy Goodrich
Mrs. Patterson
John Patterson:
Tom Hartley
David Patterson
Lois Patterson
Jimmy Hartley
Jimmy Hartley orge Gabby Hayes
Anne Jeffreys
Alice Fleming
Weldon Heyburn
Kirk Alyn
Roy Barcroft

This is a standard addition to the wild Bull Elliott western series. Hackneyed pid and static direction make this just a filler on the duals. Slory deals with an effect easternes who goes west to take over the graph and the standard standard and the standard stand

New York Theatres



PLUE A BIG ROXY 7th AND State (TIMES)

SAMILE GOLDWAN'S

SAMUEL GOLDWYN'S
THE NORTH STAR
HEW VICTORIA - RKO PALACE

in "RIDING HIGH" A Paramount Picture IN TECHNICOLOR TOMMY DOBSEY and B PARAMOUNT Times Square

Capitol ON THE SCREEN Starting Thursday Spencer TRACY Irane DUNNE In M.G.M's IN PERSON Kathrya GRAYSON Rich, HIMSER Ord 'A GUY Plus M.G.M

Laughton Yo Ho'ing

Hollywood, Dec. 21. Charles Laughton goes buccaneer-ing in his next Metro picture, 'The Pirate,' based on the Lunt-Fontanne

legit play. Hedy Lamarr is tentatively cast as

24th

"FOR WHOM THE BELL TOLLS" 10:20 a.m.

RIVOLI B'way & 49th St. STH WEEK

ERROL FLYNN
In Warner Bree, New Hit
"NORTHERN PURSUIT" In Person
GLEN GRAY
And His Come Lome Orch
Extra
WILLIE HOWARD B'way & 47th St. STRAND

MUSIC HALL "MME. CURIE"

Spectacular Stage Productions

"Pistol Packin' Mama"

A Republic Picture seed on the song by Al Dexter

GLOBE - - - B'way & 46th St. MICHAEL TODD presents

SOMETHING TOO BOYS
COLETHING TOO BOYS
COLE PORTER SOMES



What he needs is a General Wheaties can help revive the faint-Sherman tank. No, Wheaties ing will-to-live. Ayem Lost Souls alone can't rebuild the shattered may even become Eager Beavers chassis. But in the early morning upon absorbing Wheaties.



It is with a deep feeling of responsibility and pride that I announce my next production, the story of America's first flying general

"BILLY MITCHELL"

Based on Isaac Don Levine's Biography of General "Billy" Mitchell

This picture is to be produced with the cooperation of all the members of General Mitchell's family and the assistance of the United States Army Air Forces.

A share of the proceeds will go to the

Army Air Forces' Aid Society

SAMUEL BRONSTON

Now in release thru United Artists
"JACK LONDON"

Steffes' New Indie Exhib Union **Outlines Reforms on Sunday Squawks**

Minnespolis, Dec. 21.
The new Independent exhibitor union' headed by W. A. Steffes, veteran independent leader, has met here and organized a two-man grievance committee for settling members of the control of the cont

whith distribution on ma praces, in June 20 to 10 to 1

regulation has decided to run full-page newspaper dis and show trader properties of the public runner properties of the proposed new admission tax will have on theatres and asking patrons to write Congressmen if opposed to such an admission hike. Oppies of ads will be senite all Congressmen. Theatres, will also distribute postrganization has decided to run

sent to all Congressione.

Theatres, will also distribute postcards, with the public asked whether
it agrees with Senator Joseph Ball
of Minnesota, who's labejed pictures
a luxury; and to Inform him of difference of opinion.

COMACHO HONORED BY MEX PIC INDUSTRY

Mexico City, Dec. 14.

President Manuel Avila Camacho
has been gold-medaled by the film
industry here for what he has done
to put over the Mexican industry.

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Miranda's Peppery Pair

Hollywood, Dec. 21.

Carmen Miranda will make two pictures for 20th-Fox in 1944, with options for two more in 1944, with Lined up are two Latin-American Currently since working in "Green-wich Village."

'Peaches' for Trotti

Lamar Trotti, currently washing up a scripting chore on 'One World' at 20th-Fox, draws a producer 'job on 'Everything Is Peaches Down in Georgia' as his next assignment. Meanwhile he's readying to produce 'Victor Hugo,' on which he did a scripting treatment.

'KATE' FOR WALLACE

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Richard Wallace draws the director assignment on Kate Finegate, or several control of the property of the pro

LOEW-LYONS SET 4 PROFIT-SHARING PIX

PRUFIT-SHARING PIX
Producing Artists, Inc. (David
Low-Artists: S. Lyona) have purch
on a proft-participation basis. Stars,
producers, directors, composers and
writers concerned will be in on the
netion with. The four pictures, first,
of which is titled Love. Is Where
Vou Find It. "Find It is an original
and Charles O'Neal. Jerome Kern
is to write the score for the film
which is scheduled to go before the
cameras Mernly odouetton is to be
High Spirits, by Fred Thompson,
which is being considered as the first
of the three Jack Benny pictures to
Other story pannesties

of the three Jack Benny pictures to be made under this sctup. Other story properties purchased were 'Singing City,' by Dan Toth-eroh, novel soon to be published, and 'The Blackbirder,' by Dorothy Hughes.

U. S. Callboard

Continued from page 4 = nouncer and newsman, is now a first lieutenant and squadron bombardier at Camp Pratt, Kan.

H'wood Contingent

Hollywood, Dec. 21.
Felix Jacoves, film dialog director.

Ted North, screen actor, Navy. Willard Sheldon, assistant film di-

Elliott Reid, screen actor, Army, Bill McCune film casting director

John Marshall, assistant dance director. Army.

Eddie LeBaron, rhumba band leader, Army Emma A. DeHaven, studio secre-tary, WACS.

Henry Rauch, studio technician

Mel Shaw; film cartoon director,

Bern Mariner, film branch man-

Frank Woodruff, film director, Army. Sidney Morris, studio technician,

M. M. Schneiderman, film branch er, Army. ell Hayden, screen actor,

Norris Konheim, publicity and ad director of Robbins Music in N. Y., left for Navy Friday (17). He succeeded Al Brackman, who's currently in the Army.

Lt. Levin's Heroic Death Philadelphia, Dec. 21.

Philadelphia, Dec. 21.
14. Ralph Levin, 21, formerly on managerial staff of Regent Square theatre, was tilled in action in Italy several weeks ago, his family has several weeks ago, his family has been appeared to the property of the philadelphia of the property of the philadelphia of

Ray Weber, of Penn theatre staff,

Army,
Charles Allen, of Superior Motion
Picture Supply Co., Army.

More Detroiters Tagged
Detroit, Dec. 21.
Clark Fields, manager of United
Detroit's downtown Palms - State Army. George Ellul, manager of Empres

George Ellul, manager of Empress theatre, Navy. Leonard Slepski, partner in Hazel Park theatre, Army. Milton Jacobson, owner of Stone theatre, Army.

Seek Larger Quarters For N.Y. Stage Canteen

The American Theatre Wing is seeking larger Times Square quar-ters for the New York Stage Door Canteen. Scrvicemen's center is held to be

ECHO OF BIOFF TRIAL IN CHI LICENSE PLEA

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Echoes of the Chicago, Dec. 21

In New York reached the council
in New York has been paying of midnamer recently passed.

Ald. John J. Duffy, in advocating a
fee of 76c on each seat, which, he
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paid at present, made references to
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crease. We have the right to levy
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not suggesting that.
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Mpls. Savs It Proves Something That '43 Saw No Consent Complaints

Minespoils, Dec. 21.
Indicative of the apparent fact tha
Twin City and other independent exhibitors in this territor; just about
have given up on the arbitration se
up by the consent decree as a mean
of righting alleged industry injustices, there hasn't been a complain

of righting alleged moustry injectives, there hasn't been a complaint the control of the control

just aren't taking their grievances to arbitration.

It's all because the present arbitration is a 'joke', as far as helping exhibitors to rectify wrongs is concrend, independent leaders say. The rules under which arbitration operations of the property o

out.

In all, since the establishment of arbitration, the total of complaints filed have been less than a half-dozen and only three of these have gone as far as hearings.

Arg. Censors Still Balk at 'Graves,' 'Hail

Dalla At Utatv3, 11411
Argentina ceutors refuse to approve either Five Graves to Cairo
re Se Proudly We Hall for showing
in this admittedly pro-Axis government country, but Paramount this
week was reported going afread with
its fight to get both pictures freed
for distribution there.
cause if a lalegedly violates Aggentina's so-called strict neutrality.

Back on His Feet

Hollywood, Dec. 21.
Russell Hayden hopped off his cow pony at Columbia to make three pic-tures to be produced by Bill Pine and Bill Thomas for Paramount release.
First of the non-cowboy trio is 'Gambler's Choice,' an underworld

Patricia Beis' Anni

Patricia Reis, executive assistant to Howard Dietz, M-G vice-president in charge of advertising and publicity, this week celebrated her Zist anniversary with Loew's, Inc. Miss Reis has been associated with Dietz since joining tile company.

Film Shakedown Case Goes to Jury Today: Gov't Sticks By 'Extortion' Charges, Defense Calls It 'Bribery'

Charges, Delense Calls It Bribery

By EB BARRY

Branding contention of bribery a counterfeit defense, and asking the increase to take the fact at face value and the increase to take the fact at face value and the increase to take the fact at face value and the increase to take the fact at face value and the increase to take the fact at face value and the increase of the seven defense, and sality and the increase of the seven defense, and sality and the increase of the seven defense, and sality and the increase of the seven defense, and the increase of
parasites as presented to the fury.

He characterised Louis Kaufman, Newark labor leader as a front for Long Zwillman, notorious mobister who was the Jersey key in the untonwide shadeown octopus. Here was a trusted union man getting \$250 men, the represented of the didn't front for Zwillman he wouldn't be there. He then tied up Paul De Lucia, as beau of Chicago Local 101, LATSE, without portfolio, who and only controlled the business agents salary as well, which went into the coffers of the mob.

'Muscle Man'

Francis Maritote was characterized as the mob's muscle man who was diverted to Nate Barger's payroll at \$200 a week so that he could continue operation of Rialto burlesque, Chicago.

Chicago.

Philip D'Andrea was characterized as former owner of questionable resorts and gambling dens and former employer of Willie Bioff who, it's claimed, took him in on the shakedown plot out of gratitude for past favors. Charles Gio and Johnny Roserse via addence recounted in the summation of the summation the summation.

Rosselli were also tied in with the mobisters via evidence recounted in continuing. Kostelanets s at a clean record in labor until by tied in with the mob. He was ambitious to but when he found what he was and clean record in labor until by tied in with the mob. He was ambitious to but when he found what he was upon against when the mobine well in he has repreted it since. Kostelaneth Len Descorred, election when De Lucia, Frank Nitti. Louis Campagn and Nick Circella told Browne and Bloff, Wor'e in for the continuing the cont

Trial has consumed 11 weeks of court days.
James D. C. Murray, chief defense counsel, teed off his overall summation in behalf of the seven defendants, consuming the entire day.
Thursday (16), Murray led the jurors attack of the country of the co

bithod,
Murray let go with both barrels
at Willte Bioff, whom he characters
ided as the "bells fare-seared soul of
Anaulas reincarnated." He scoffed at

proached them when the sources approached them were the light through proceedings were the light through cut of the more than the source of the more than the source of the industry through chicanery of both film heads and the firm of Bioff and Browne. And now they tell you they were afraid. Arfald of what? Being prosecuted for pribing organized labort

r Browne. And now hey toll you shop years draid. Arried of what? Being prosecuted. For bribing organized albord.

Arried of what? Being prosecuted for bribing organized albord.

When you balance the scales and see who benefited most you'll find, that the Schencke. Warners, Balaban, Koudyne, and the seem of the bright what was spawned by Balaban in Chicago, nutritude by Mick Schenck of them in California. If the Government's case must rely to bribe, which was spawned by Balaban in Chicago, nutritude by Mick Schenck of them in California. If the Government's case must rely on testimony of convicts like Bioff and Browne, then I say they have no care the seem of
prosecution. He also touched on the Mathan Barger-Chicago Rinilo bur-Mathan Barger-Chicago Rinilo bur-Refuting Barger's shakedown testimony. Ehen stated: Barger would have you believe he was a victim of activition. The facts are quite different performance. He kine Plant D'Andrea had strong political connections and he onalected him for add in having his itemer restored. The content of the content of the property and the property an





Mutual Report Indicates \$14,000.000 B.O. in '43-40% Boost Over '42

Mutual's sales for the current year will exceed \$14,000,000, representing a 40% gain over 1942, according to published company report just re-leased called '1943 in Review.'

In booklet form, the report was compiled for distribution to about 5,000 ad agencies, sponsors, affiliate stations and others. It covers the whole Mutual setup and progress with blurbs on programming, war ac-tivity efforts and public service. Call letters of affiliates are listed, as are

company execs.

Oddity is that net's sales only hit
the previous year's average during
the first three months of 1983. Upswing started in April, and sales
mounted steadily in subsequent
months. By October, sales execeded
total cumulative business of preceding year.

ng year. In the way of war effort program Mutual broadcast 1,468 during t

In cooperation with the Army, net roadcast 305 programs; Navy, 298, nd Treasury, 75.

and Treasury, 75.
The net's present hookup of 211 stations includes 38 in the Badlo MI at the Badlo MI of Mexico, which, added to the 60-60 of Mexico, which, added to the 60-60 of Mexico, Canada and Hawaii. Something new in a Program Operating Board was inaugurated in 1803, rise at the many operating Board was inaugurated in 1803, rise at the many operating power of the metalton program heads huddle monthly with network officials, with an eye toward purchasing and developing desirable program of the program of

gram material.

Miller McClintock, head of the net, in a short foreword to the booklet, expresses a desire on behalf of Mutual to serve in a broadening and more effective manner the business fratefulty, the interests of the American public and the vast objectives of our war effort.

Orson Welles Show Set But Only 11 Coast Outlets Now Available

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will direct.

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During the week both Wellse and

Miss Hayworth-Collapsed-with - Bulater Dan Seymour announcer passed

out the same way, although they
managed to complete the auditori.

Wellse was still not well council the
scheduled guest shot with Fred Allen

and he was replaced by James Med
ton. Whether he will go on for Allen

and the Philo-Wartely' show this

Sunday (13), depends on his re
cevery.

Clapper's Sub This Time Likely to Be Gunnison

Alkely to De Cultinison.

Royal Arch Gunison will probably sub for Raymond Clapper on the latter a two-night-a-week Mutual program for White-Owl, when Clapper leaves for the South Pacific war zones. Gunison's regular MBS sustaining series begins tonight (22). It'll be Clapper's second overseas trip. Previously he was in Sweden, Africa and England.

De Castro's New Chore

Allen de Castro, in addition to his daytime playback stint for Mutual, has taken on additional duties in the MBS commercial sales depart-

DeCastro's new job embraces orking up auditioning ideas for

Hackett With Kendall Agey. Cecil H. Hackett, former WINS managing director, has joined the Abbott Kendall agency as v.p. in charge of new biz and sales. ARCH OBOLER Treats With the

Future of Creative Radio Writing'

VARIETY'S

Post-War Show Business

(38th: Anniversary)

Hope Now First In Hooper Ratings

The Fibber McGee program main tained its 32.4 rating in the Dec. 15 Hooper analysis, but dropped into second place as Bob Hope marked up 33.1 to lead the commercial parade Hope's last rating was 31,2. Jack Benny jumped from sixth to fourth Benny jumped from sixth to fourth' place in the current letting, climbing over "Lux Radio Theatre" and the Aldrich Family, who boped him in the previous characters. The Edgar mained in the third spot with a 255 rate as against a November figure of 29.2.

of 29.2.

Hooper ratings revealed a figure of 31.7 for 'sets in use,' representing an increase of almost 5% over the Nov. 20 figure. Average rating is up 3% from last report.

The first 10 shows for the period,

Dec. 1 to 7, were:	
Bob Hope 3	3.1
Fibber McGee 3	2.
Charlie McCarthy 2	9.5
Jack Benny 2	6.
Radio Theatre 2	6.:
Aldrich Family 2	4.
Mr. D. A 2	3.
Morgan - Brice 2	3.
*Eddie Cantor	2.
*Winchell	12.
Bing Crosby	1.
-tied for 9th.	1

Ex-NBC Script Ed. With Paratroopers in Sicily

Brice Disque, formerly assistant script editor of NBC before he en-listed in the Army nearly two years ago, was with the air-borne trans-port service that dropped initial American paratroopers in Sicily.

Disque now-is a major in the troop carrier division. He had trained here in the south before going over-

Xmas: Nazi Style

Washington, Dec. 21.
Nazi Danzig radio is putting
on dramatic skits for local consumption, suggesting alr radd
shelter equipment for Kmas

gifts.
One sketch had ah actor urging the purchase of footstools to be used in shelters. Another actor commented he had persuaded his own children to make a combination 'candlestick and matchbox set' for use in a shelter 'If the electric light fails.'

New Air Show To Star Brisson

New program, titled 'Continental Club of 1944,' is being put together by the Music Corp. of America for an unnamed sponsor. Show will star Carl Brisson with Jack Cusick and Carl Gass as the writers.

Carl Gass as the writers.

Format of the show will deal with historical and modern events that radically influenced the lives and habits of people all over the world. First shows will deal with the development of musical comedy and how it was handled 75 years ago and the origin of the opera: Denam, humor origin of the opera; Drama, humor and music will be used on the show.

Autolite-Oboler Show To Replace Goodyear

Tues. 'Salute' on NBC Arch Oboler's new dramatic series

in which Ronald Colman will be in which Rouald Colman will be starred tees off on NBC late next month in the Tuesday early evening spot being vacated by Goodyear's Salute to Youth. The Colman show for Autolite will be aired at 7:30 p.m. EWT with likely repeat of half-hour stanza for Coast.

stanza for Coast.

Gordon Jenkins, musical director
during auditions of Oboler's latest
opus, seems set for the permanent
baton-wielding assignment. Nate
Tufts, West Coast head of Ruthrauff
and Ryan, has not yet picked a pro-

Lucille Manners No Longer a Radio Exclusive

Longer a nature Dachussive For the first time in the seven years sale's been pacted to star in the MRC Friday night Cities Service when the seven the seven that the seven the seven that the seven that the seven the seven the seven that the seven the s

New pact, marking the start of her eighth—year on the program, goes into effect Jan. 28. Foote, Cone & Belding is the agency, with the Na-tional Concert Artists Corp. repre-senting Miss Manners in the deal.

Blue Exec Sees Many Public Service **Shows Going Commercial After War**

An ever-increasing number of public service type of shows will

An ever-increasing number of quality and stronger listener appeal.¹ In the immediate post-war period, if guito commercial sponsoration in the post-war expected post-war period, in the post-war expected, in the post-war expectably consistent by the Allis Chaimers Co. is the most excent illustration of a large and the post-war expected, in the post war expected post war expecte

Visiting Firemen' (Politicos) on War Fronts, USO Snags Hit By Mueller

By LESTER TUROFF

The News Documentary

By PAUL (CBS) WHITE

Featured in the VARIETY

(Post-war Show Business Edition)

Pidgeon Squares Off Vs. Bergen

Deal has been closed with Walter Pidgeon to head a dramatic series for Goodyear starting Jan. 30 over CBS, airing from here at 5 p.m Dramatic series will co-star Pidgeon with topflight film performers in roles which have won them acclaim. Rupert Lucas, who produces Silver Theatre for Young & Rubicam, like ly draws the Goodyear direction

iy draws the Goodyear direction.

Program is spotted opposite Edgar
Bergen's kaffee klatch.

Tom Harrington, Y & R radio
chief, trained back to New York
after signing contracts but returns
Jan. 5 to whip the show into shape
and make other assignments.

'DUFFY' EAST FOR NEXT 13. THEN BACK FOR PIC

Hollywood, Dec. 21. old stand in Manhattan after Dec. 28 old stand in Manhattan after Dec. 28

Proadcast here: to put in a full quarter of broadcasting before pulling stakes, again for the Coast. Paramount hopes to get started on 'Duffy' when Ed Gaffener and his troupe check in at the studio next April.

Producer Joe Hill of the air setup hauls east tomorrow (Wed.), a week in advance of the troupe, turning over the state of the state of the last broadcast to Walter Bunker, Jr.

ODT Travel Plea Cues Vox Pop Denver Repeat

VOX TOB JERVEY REPEAT
TO carry out requests of ODT to
curb civilian travel during yearand holiday period, Vox Pop, which
broadcasts each Monday over CBs,
weeks in Denver. Original interweeks in Denver. Original interorigination for overseast of the original
origination for youngsters, on Monday (20) and next Monday will cover
the photo ground crew of U. S.
Army Alf Force at Lowry Field
and the photo ground crew of U. S.
Army Alf Force at Lowry Field
Planty from home Christmas because his son, Bill, is a Marine now
at Colorado U in Denver.

Radio Exec Club Sets

Charity Xmas Party Charity, Amss. Party.
Radio Executives Club at a meeting
Thursday (16) at Shelton, hotel put
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day) at 3, p.m. for members and
day) at 3, p.m. for members and
days at 5, p.m. for members and
clusts. Proceeds from the affait will
be donasted to Army and Navy relief.
Last week junctions reside, inLast week junctions reside, inhard to the company of the company
which revisions of constitution and
hylaws were approved. No major
changes in organization's setup residiled, officers reported.

FRANK BUSSELL BETTER

FRANK KUSSELL SETTER
Washington, Dec. 21.
Frank M. Russell, NBC v.p. in
charge of Washington, operations, is
reported fully recovered from an attack of pneumonia and will be back
at work shortly after Christmas.
He is scheduled to return in time
to attend the MBC management
meeting in New York, Dec. 28.

By LESTER TURGET

The USO Seeing restricted an outside the series operations that is not able to do as effective a job as it desired or can do. Thus Merrill Red' Mueller, NBC foreign correspondent who has been covering the fighting fronts since 1808, expressions. Mueller, who returned to New York on Thursday (16), voiced his admiration for the job being done to the first since the series of
troupes were confined to entertaining in real-room areas where there are some facilities for self-entertainment for the men, rather than, being per more than the self-entertainment that the self-entertainment is self-entertainment to the self-entertainment that the self-entertainment to the self-entertainment that the combination. He thought that the combination is self-entertainment to get around easier. According to Mueller, the value of these entertaintops' immediate reactions since the soldiers talk about the last show they saw for months afterward and so around humming and singing the self-entertaint the self-entertaint the Hogels and the self-entertaint the self-entertaint the self-entertaint invisions of measurement in the campiling in New Goldiera Chief.

retreat of the British in North Art-ica, the American invasions of North Africa, Sicily and Italy and North Africa, Sicily and Italy and and India. His present pine at the A-rest, and then a-lecture-town, pro-ceeds from which are to be split by Red Cross, the USO and Army Breegency Relief. He expects to be here for two months before taking up another post abroad.

CARSON SHOW GETS NEW FORMULA BY PRAEGER

Hollywood, Dec. 21. Change of format to situation cor Change of format to situation com-cay has been decreed for the Jack Carson show by Bert Praeger of Prosts. Come & Bedfing agency, who'll remain here to produce for the next seven or eight weeks with Ted Wick as associate. Henry Taylor and Harvey Goode form the new writing battery.

Sgt. Stick, Fulton Lewis Aide, Gets Marine Post

Alue, Vetts marine rost.

Set. Dave Sitck, USAMC, who worked in the office of Pulton Lewis, Jr., of Mutual web, before the wart. He was the set of the staff which was the set of the staff which was the set of the staff with the set of the staff was the set of the set of the staff with the set of
DEBATE FUTURE OF AIR NEWS

The Pace Is Fast

As the big comedy programs swing into mid-season there can be no denying that the pace has become terrific.

Think back for a minute and recell the anaect comedy shows you have been programs of the pace to the same of the

concentrate, there we have confident liming and allowants the whole program.

Nothing secret about it, either. The problem of applause after sechnage the hallmark of an amateurish audience, was recognized as a distinct handicap when the laugh red to program of contact of the program of the hallmark of an amateurish audience, was recognized as a distinct handicap when the laugh red to program of contact of the program of th

Musical Revivals Format of New

Ballantine Show A new tyne of radio show reviving weekly the top Broadway mus edies of past years, and starring whenever possible the leads in the original productions, makes its bow

Dec. 27 on CBS in the 10:30-11 p. m. Monday spot. Show is being spon-

sored by Ballantine brewery, with J. Walter Thompson as the agency,

Initial program will be the Rodg

ers-Hart-Fields musical, 'Connecticut

Yankee, as presented back in '27

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INTEREST DROP

By GEORGE ROSEN

Question as to what will happen after the war to news programs, which during the past year achieved record levels in popularity both on all networks, is causing considerable speculation, particularly, among agency men with an eye loward long-range buying.

inhough it must necessarily be said, awhisting and yelling of the GL's) the comies highing before the box more originating in their studies are plot about it—those constant applause their timing and slow-up the whole who is their timing and slow-up the whole whole who is their timing and slow-up the whole whole whole who is their timing and slow-up the whole Bayles have been elected directors of Ruthrauff & Ryan agency, it was an unclear that the second training and the personally acquainted with nounced yesterday (21) by Frederick the foreign countries that, prior to the conflict, were only names to Stauffer joined the agency in 1941 and Bayles in 1933. Both are vp.'s simulating interest in post-war rain docupy executive positions of the radio and managerial divisions of the agency.

SOME SEE PUBLIC Ford Drops 1/2-Hour Show Idea for 2 15-Minute Programs, Sat. and Sun.

Fleming Moscow-Bound

James Fleming, CBS correspond-ent in Cairo, is currently on his way to Moscow, where he will represent

was formerly a commercial neer on CBS programs.

NBC 13-WK. SHOW TO HELP FIGHT DELINQUENCY

New weekly show to help fight juvenile delinquency is slated to start on NBC, Jan. 15 (1:30-2 p.m.) titled 'Here's to Youth.' Show, titled 'Here's skedded for 13 weeks, will use dramatizations of documentary material, involving incidents in family terial, involving incidents in faining and community life today. Ten National voluntary youth organizations are cooperating to bring about an effective approach to the problems of youth living under the stress of war. Helen Hayes is slated to do the first

Show. Agencies which are cooperating and co-sponsoring the program are composed to the program are compared to the composed to the compared to

YWCA.

Programs will include: Young America in Cirisis, 'Danger, Mother's Workin,' Trailer Town's Children,' Dad's in the Army,' Brides of War,' Boomtown, 'Our Nomad Familles,' Till the Boys Come Home,' 'Holy Wanted,' Latch Key Children,' The Melting Pot Bolls,' Johnny Comes Home,' and Strength for America.'

Ford Motor Co., which originally mulled the idea of sponsoring a half-hour Study evening concert program, in addition to the dye-times-week. Tommy Dorsey program on the Blue, has now isentatively decided to switch to two 15-ticky decided to the switch of the

Earl Godwin.
The quarter-hour Saturday show
will be called Early American Folk
Music' and will comprise a band
made up of Ford employees, and
some property of the comprise of

Blue Packages Femme 'Info'

"Women's Council," a combination of Information Please. "The Chifago of Information Please. "The Chifago of Information Please." The Chifago of the Air" but with a dixtar live on matters, is being offered by the Blue network as a half-hour please. In the Information of Inform

Par May Sponsor Film Portion of Breakfast Club' (Chi) on Blue

Cinb (Chaigo, Dec. 21.

Paramount Pictures is playing around with the idea of taking over the susponsored portless of the interpolation
'WARCASTS' STEP UP PLANT PRODUCTION

FLAN1 - KNUUU-IIUM

Rew_stant, "Warenats," in reported highly successful by the Navy Industrial Incentive Division in stepping in production in retories, shipyards warenats are being bandled inconjunction with radio station, the networks, Muzak Corp. and various newspapers Miroughout the country, war, news bulletins, plus a brief message from the Navy, which go out over the public address systems of the plants.

the plants.
Copy is prepared by broadcast stations and newspapers and is piped to the plants via leased wires.

Your Best Salesman In All Markets –

Present and Juture



TOM WEATHERLY GOES FROM LEGIT TO RADIO

show replaces Guy Lombardo and Ogden Nash in the 10:30-11 o'clock

TRUM LEGI 10 KADIU
Tom Weatherly, the legit press
agent and co-producer with Dwight
Wiman of several Broadway productions, is leaving the legit field to
enter radio work. Weatherly, who
recently formed a partnership with
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8 St. Martin's Pl.

WMCA, N. Y., Spending \$10,000 for 5-Hr. **Xmas Show to Airwave GI Greetings**

One of the most ambitious special broadcasts ever staged by an indie is being lined up by WMCA, N. Y., to run for five hours Christmas night during which holiday mes-sages from servicemen in all parts of the world will be airwaved to their families. Red Cross and USO reps at military bases are skedding talks by men from the New York area only for this feature.

area only for this feature. Interesting sidelight on the show is that total cost of the venture probably will not be known until the end of the war, according to station spokesmen who revealed service charges for channeling messages from some combat areas are being priviled by the A. T. & T. on a bill you later basis.

bill you later basis.

Il. was learned, however, that WMCA is making an initial outlay of at least \$1,000 for the sturt and this real state. The state of the sta

titled Your Boy May Be Home for Christmas.

Nathan Straus, new owner of the NY, Indie, was active in setting to bring to the mike soldiers, sallors and marines in own stationed in the Fag East, Pacific areas, Canal Zong, and marines in own stationed in the Fag East, Pacific areas, Canal Zong, and Marines in Good and Marines and

occupied outposts.
WMCA officials have not over-WMCA officials have not over-looked the disappointment angle in the cases of hundreds of families who will be hoping to hear the voices of their relatives on the broadcast, but seed that the seed of their seed of their relatives on the seed of their seed of their relatives on the seed of their areas will appear, chances for 'light-ning to strike are very much great than on similar shows previously broadcast over networks on which men from all partisof the U. S. were A. A throadcast of 'New and the

heard.

A rebroadcast of 'Xmas greetings from round the world' will be aired by the station at midnight Saturday and recordings of individual interwill be made available to es of the men according to

BBC to Relay King's Xmas Message to U.S.

The four major networks will broadcast a Christmas Day message by King George VI, Saturday morning (25) at 10 a.m., through arrangements set up by the BBC. The British monarch's message is

reactive set up by the BBC separation of the property of the p

RKO's Mutual Platters

Hollywood, Dec. 21. Charles Koerner, RKO studio boss Is to make the choice of three of the studio's programs to be plattered for the noontime strip over the Mutual network, beginning early next

month.

All programs would emanate from the studio cafe, and may be out on the network either live or waxed. Sut Wilson, KHJ emcee, is in lime to handle the series.

A Radio Cliche Is

'Let's Get It Out Early' and EDDIE CANTOR

gives it the once-over-lightly

VARIETY'S

38th Anniversary Number (Post-War Show Business Edition)

Soon Due

Gillette Buys Yank, Giants Games on WINS

WINS, New York, is going big league, liter "v, beginning in April, when daily µay-by-play ecounts of the Yankees' and Giants' home games will be broadcast by the Hearst-operated N. Y. indie under sponsor-ship of Gillette. All games, Sundays, holidays and double-headers, will neituded in the sports series.

by any sponsor.

It's also reported that Waite Hoyt, former New York and Brooklyn pitching ace, will be signed for the Giants and Yankees play-by-play reports. Hoyt for the past several years has been broadcasting games for the Clincinnati Reds. In sports circles he's considered a natural for a Tew York diamond description

material will be ecfipied.

Blue network time, which hast year was booked solid for 12 hours by the Altana sort drain continuous and the Altana sort drain continuous and the Altana sort drain continuous and efforts to clear this time for coke, or procure time on other webs, cli through because the state of the Altana sort drain exiting ordinal go-abead land as a sairt assistent for the from spanser on proposed evaluation. American Red Cross.

Premieres

(Dec. 22 to Jan. 2) Dec. 22

Royal Arch Gunnison, com-mentator; 10-10:15 p.m., Wednes-day and Saturday; MBS-WOR; sustaining.

Dec. 27
Breadway Showtime, starring
William Gaxton; 10/30-11 p.m.,
Mondays; WABC-CBS; Ballantine Co.; J, Walter Thompson.

Jan. 1

'On Stage, Everybody,' cullinew talent; I1-11:30 a.m. Satudays; WJZ-Blue; sustaining.

Armý's 2-Way Super-Duper GI **Xmas Program**

Washington, Dec. 21.
Tremendous two-way Xmas radio program between this country and two the control of the cont

the world.

Transcription program, biggest thing of its kind ever tried, will include a 90-minute Command Performance, starring Bob Hope, Jack Benny, Fred Allen, Nelson Eddy, Spike Jones and the Chardestern City Silckers, Frances Langderd, Dinath Sher, Ken Carpenter, and a military band. Also included are 'Christmas' Also included are 'Christmas'

Carolt, with East Rathboom as Scrooge Richard Crooks will be guest soloist. Planning for complete offerage Planning for complete offerage that the complete of the complete soloist. It is suffered by the complete of the complete soloist. It is all over the world. In addition, duplicate platters have been sent by plane and ship to points where they can be used for the complete soloist of the played on phonographs and piped over public address systems to public in places where radio facilities are D. C. Bitzles on Procram

circles he's considered a natural for plane and snp to points where uses a New York diamond description can be used for standard waves. Don Dunphy, Gillette's boxing announcer on WOR-Mutual and Will work with the control of the con

Tiom Exbets Field next season with on the receiving end of several action and the received and the received by the setup as in 1988.

COCA-COLA DROPS XMAS DAY CADE

COCA-COLA DROPS XMAS DAY CADE

Coca-Cola, the D'Arcy agency and Blue network, after struggling for properties of the properties of the setup and the setup as the set

From the Production Centres

IN NEW YORK CITY . . .

RN NEW YORK CITY

Blue Network Athletic Asan, rumning dinner-dance at the Astor Gallery of the Waldorf-Astoria for employees of the web tonight (22). Gals have right to ask anybody for a dance and may not be refused... Hanson W, Baltwin, Blue commentator does not commentate of the property of the Waldorf-Astoria for engine newers domentary. Brammon's state of the N. Y. Times... "Pepper Youngs 1 Family" celebrates its ninth year on the air Jah in ... Dorotty Ricisten will be soloist with the Rochester Symphony orchestra, on New Year's Eve airing of the Bastman Kodats of the N. Y. Times... "Pepper Youngs 1 Family" celebrates its ninth year Telephone stana via NEC on March 17"... Dorotty Kirsten and Thomas I. Thomas, ditto on the Firestone program on Jan. 17"... Harry Rauch, I. Thomas, ditto on the Firestone program on Jan. 17"... Harry Rauch, I. Thomas, ditto on the Firestone program on Jan. 17"... Harry Rauch, I. Thomas, ditto on the Firestone program on Jan. 17"... Harry Rauch, I. Thomas, ditto on the Firestone program on Jan. 17"... Harry Rauch, I. Thomas, ditto on the Firestone program on Jan. 17"... Harry Rauch, I. Thomas, ditto on the Firestone program on Jan. 17"... Harry Rauch, I. Thomas, ditto on the Firestone program on Jan. 17"... Harry Rauch, I. Thomas, ditto on the Firestone program on Jan. 17"... Harry Rauch, I. Thomas, ditto on the Firestone program on Jan. 17"... Harry Rauch, I. Thomas, ditto on the Firestone program on Jan. 18"... Harry Rauch, I. Thomas, ditto on the Firestone program on Jan. 18"... Harry Rauch, I. Thomas, Jan. 18"... Ha

the week following.

Sara Jane Troy, after serving three months as an 'apprentice' gabber at WOV, starts as a full-fledged staff announcer today (Wed.).

IN HOLLYWOOD . . .

NO., starts as a furne-success and announcer today, when the standard so hard that it knocked him out of last week's broadcast of 'Bine Ribbon Town.' He it knocked him out of last week's broadcast of 'Bine Ribbon Town.' He it knocked him out of last week's broadcast of 'Bine Ribbon Town.' He it knocked him out of last week's broadcast of 'Bine Ribbon Town.' He can be supported to the standard of the case of the

Seymour Korman, who covered the African and Italian campaigns for WGN and Mutual, back in town for a vacation... Thomas P. Bashaw, NBC sound effects man with NBC in Chicago for the past 12 years, will be inducted into the Army Dec 21... Danny O'Neil, CBS-WBEM singer, heading the bill at the Chicago theatte this week. Northwestern Yeast Co.

(Continued on page 36)





Trammell Vigorously Denies Fly's **Accusation About 'Catholic Hour'**

Washington, Dec. 21.
Following NBO prexy Niles
Tranmell's denial that the neifree control of the control of the
NBC, said the Council, at no
time bettempted to assert any
presents.

Niles Trammell, NBC prexy, ac-cuses James L. Fly, chairman of the Federal Communications. Commis-le Commission of the Commission of the lie in testifying before the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee hearing on the White-Wheeler bill, at which Fly claimed last week that NBC tried to force the Catholic Hour off the sir.

Hour off the air.

"What Fly told the committee is far removed from the truth," says ITrammell, who added that NBC with a settling to forego sponsorable all too willing to forego sponsorable of the Anne. "Andy program in

the 6-530 Sunday, night slot when the National Comine! of Catholic Men expressed the dealer to continue Andrews of the Catholic Men expressed the dealer to continue Andrews of the Catholic Men expressed in now broadcast via AHEC at 10 clocke Friday nights. In regards to the Catholic Hour situation, here, says Trammell, are Last. Early NIC approached Monsignor Michael Reedy, secretary of the National Council of Catholic Men, and offered the organization the Last. Early NIC approached Monsignor Michael Reedy, secretary of the National Council of Catholic Men, and offered the organization house year of the NIC and the Amos had a continued to the Catholic Men, and offered the Amos had a considered the Council was in accord with the switch. When they rejected the offer in favor of remaining in the evening popt, asy Trammell, NIC evening popt, settlement of the Residual Catholic Residual Re

The Funeral Hour Schenectady, Dec. 2. WSNY, Schenectady, now has

a funeral home as the sponsor of Bagatelles, quarter - hour of poetry and philosophy read by Ed Flynn five afternoons a week.

It's the only program so sponsored in capital district radio in years.

M'CANN-ERICKSON'S **NEW V.P.S. DIRECTORS**

Five new vice presidents and four new members of the board of direc-tors were elected at McCann-Erick-son, Inc. Monday '(20)." Three of the naw v.p.'s are attached to the N. Y.

office.

They are R. E. Thompson, copy group head; W. E. McKeachie, creative director, and E. F. Wilson, media director. A. A. Somher, Cleveland, and R. B. Donnelly, Minneapolis, also were named v.p.'s.

Named as directors were J. J. McCarthy, account from head; C. B.

Named as directors were J. J. Mc-Carthy, account group head; C. B. Robbirs, exec. v.p.; D. C. Hight, office manager at Detroit, and C. A. Hoppock, director of merchandising research in N. Y.

Chi NBC Execs See Fireworks On Abolishing of Net's Abeyance List

Max Factor's Mex Airer Brings H'wood Star Kudos

Max Factor's new radio program, featuring singer Evira-Rios, big his over station XEW. Opening show brought congratulatory velegrams from Hedy Lamarr, Maria Montez, Juky Garland, Pallette Goddard, Rita Hayworth, Claudette Colbert and other Hollywood stars.

Talks with NBC executives here bring out the idea that plenty of fireworks can be expected when the

fireworks can be expected when the first test case of the abolishing of the 'abcyance' or waiting list' comes up. With cholec radio time prac-tically non-existent, it's a dead car-tainty that plenty of agencies and sponsors will put up a real fight to gain control of any good time that becomes available, through cancella-tion.

Dick Gilbert Pact Puts Nix on Imitators—But It's Only on WHN (N.Y.)

Dick Gilbert, singing disc jockey of WHN, N. Y., gets his distinctive song WHM, N. Y., REES HIS MEMBERS.

styling as exclusive property, at least as far as his station is, concerned, under terms of new three-year content of the con

GRACIE FIELDS MAY SWITCH TO HALF-HR.

William III nAILT-III.
Format of the present Gracie
Fields show for American Tobacco,
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week) may take a switch to a halfhour weekly variety show at the
end of her present 1.5-week contract
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Frank Marx. Switches To Blue Web Tech. Staff

10 Bille Web I eCh. Malti Frank Marx, chief engineer at WMCA, N. Y., is leaving to join the technical staff of the Bline network it technical staff of the Bline network will be utilized in his new capacity will be utilized in his new capacity to set up FM and tele equipment, new studios and other developments, new studios and other developments actuated to the staff of the staff

Moorad to London

George Moorad is a recent addition to Columbia's London staff. After 18 months in Australia, he made the crossing from the U.S. on a Liberty ship in a convoy.



This Man has Heard More Radio Programs than Anyone Else in the World

It listens to NBC radio programs eight hours a day, five I days a week. And he's been doing it for sixteen years, Out in Port Washington, Long Island, where WEAF, key station of the National Broadcasting Company, has its towering transmitters, he and another engineer report for work every morning. By the time the first program is ready to go on the air, they have checked a hundred dials and controls and instruments.

Then they start listening. Listening not as you and I do, but with a feel for sound. The slightest irregularity in transmission, the minutest deviation from the exact volume set for it, is detected by the expert ears of these men even before it is indicated on the dials. They correct it instantly.

It is the job of these two men, and the two who

replace them on the second shift, to just sit there and "listen to it perk." It is lonely, tiring, unexciting work. Yet it has to be done to assure the most perfect reception possible in the homes of the millions of listeners who tune to NBC all through the day.

So it's no accident that one of these four NBC engineers has been on the job for 16 years, and another for 15 years. It's no accident that even in this routine, littleknown, inconspicuous phase of broadcasting, NBC has aimed for perfection.

For it is the NBC credo that no job in broadcasting is too small not to be done perfectly. This painstaking atten-tion to every detail, this uncompromising insistence on achieving broadcasting at its best throughout, are some of the things that make NBC "The Network Most People Listen to Most."



The National Broadcasting Company

America's No. 1 Network-A SERVICE OF RADIO CORPORATION OF AMERICA



National and local advertisers, the newspapers, magazines and advertising counsellors talk a great deal about circulation, wattage, listening audience, script and copy writing and a lot of high falutin' terms. Sure, they are important.

BUT believe us, we down here in Maine who operate Maine's famed WGAN know that there's just one ingredient that makes our station the best-dialed in this section. It's you boys and girls of the stage, screen and radio! You're the most important ingredient in our Pie, and that's why we, of all Radio Stations in Maine, have been advertising how important you stars are to our success—and the success of our advertisers as well. We've cheered you C. B. S. stars in 2 column spreads, in nine daily, evening and Sunday newspapers with virtually statewide coverage—for 28 consecutive days. Combined with this we ran over 200 radio announcements as well as a mammoth poster campaign featuring C. B. S. stars.

So when you're on the air—and know you're going out over C. B. S. Station WGAN—you can figure that there's a bunch of down-easters who are in there boosting you.

RADIO ARTISTS

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PORTLAND

National Sales Representatives: PAUL H. RAYMER COMPANY

Fly's Testimony Winds Up Hearing On White-Wheeler Bill; Senate to Get Revised Measure Some Time in Jan.

Washington, Dec. 21.
White-Wheeler bill hearings ended here last week, and the Senate Interstate Committee undertook the rewriting of the bill following windou testimony by FCC chairman James L. Plv. in which he saserted this 'the Supreme Court network decision did not give the PCC central over programs.

Fly charged that NAB, NBC and CBS 'chose to misconstruc' the Su-preme Court ruling in the hope that the two big webs 'could recapitive the monopoly they had previously

Fly was on the stand Wednesday (15) and Thursday in sessions which covered a good deal of territory. Other highlights of the days:

Wireless, by asserting that FCC has acted under instructions from th Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Buan of War Communications.

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3. Fly suggested two sections to
the White-Wheeler bill. One would
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other would permit FCC to institute
fines of up to \$500 a day for broadcast station 'violations, as a lesser
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penalty than revocation of licenses.

A. There was considerable discussion of programs, and Wheeler said a provision might be written into the new bill which would require licensees to carry a certain proportion of sustaining time given over to educational and similar, programs.

Other highlights of the days:

1. Senator Birton K. Wheeler, coauthor of the bill. indicated the faryound a provision which would are
quite government departments and
agencies to go before FCC in ord
to obtain brondcast wave bands.

2. Ply answered charges by doesh
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wireless, Inc., that FCC had not
treated the service fairly in authorlike in the bill will be retreated the service fairly in authorthe right of both addes on important
before the controversies to be heard. It is

contended that FCC has too much control, and that this creates fear in the minds of broadcasters that they must do what the bureaucrats like or lose their licenses. I want to take away any fear of revocation but, on the other hand, there will have to be some standards set up so that a broadcasting chain or station cannot take a public-be-damned at-titude, only sending out its own views.

Fig's statement on the Supreme Court was built around ain explanation of the phrase "the composition of that traffic which causes industry people to fear that FCC can control programs.

fry people to 'cear 'con' con' control program, and allow the first the first that the first tha

joyed—unless they could prevail upno. Congress; to amend the law. It,
must have been obvious to them that
if they were to succeed, an extensive legislative campaign would, but
necessary. And this campaign had
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would not do to come before this
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monopoly back,

Fly went on to argue that Neville
Miller called the NAB board to a
special meeting on June 3 and that
finally the stogan for the campaign
was chosen. Fly said this was by
'yanking from their context' the
words the comountion of that traffic'
in the court decision.

"It was much better, said FI to talk in terms of abridgement of free speech than in terms of restoration specin than in terms of resortation of monopoly. Here also was a cause which the press could logically be expected to champion. The new slogan worked fine. Almost immediately there was a flood of editorials, all making reference to the composition of that traffic.

sition of that traffic.

Fly fofiliment that the clause could mean what NAB and the industry and it tid electars Section 388 of the Communications Act specifically for bid s. FCC Tradio centerating. Secondly, he argued, 11 could not mean that because the Supreme Court did not have the issue of program control before it and inever hands, down rulings on malters not before it.

hands down rulings on malters not before it.

Quoling the disputed paragraph in the ruling. Fly said as the Commission is not simply a traffic officer policing the wave lengths to prevent stations from interfering with each other. Optionally the traffic there of the radio emissions from these stations. Then the court gives on to say that the Commission does sometime, more than supervise the thing, more than supervise the thing that the commission does sometime, the stations. Then follows the sentence which the two big nexteodra and their associate NAB choose to misconstruct—Flyest-sepen-flee Commission of the traffic. The traffic is the composition of the leaffler than the station of the contradict is the composition of the electrical traffic: that is, the stations that is, the station that is on the air rules.

Interpreting Public Interest In other words, the court is say-ing that, far from simply policing the existing traffic, the Commission (Continued on page 40)

Debate Air News Continued from page 31

emerge when the added time be-cornes available through the drop-ping of many of the current news stanzas is anybody's guess, it's point-ed out, but some agency and network exces see possibilities for imaginaexecs see possibilities for imagina-tive programming when many of the men from radio currently serving overseas return with fresh and open minds and a new concept of things in capacial in general.

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Letting His Public Know

John B. Hughes, whiding up his new commentary series for Anacla Saturday night (181 over the Mattual network, publicly denied that he was going off the air because his sponsors objected to his viewpoints, was going off the air because his sponsors objected to his viewpoints, were terminating because of purely "routine business" matters and that he expected to return to the air at a later date.

The commentary declared that published reports that he and Anacin couldn't see eye for eye were entirely unfounded; that at no time did his sponsors ever attempt to detate editional policy to him and that, the relationship was a thoroughly happy one throughout. The program was given over to a review of his long series of broadcasts and suggested that more blant one hatter fasest was glad he was winding up on the call.

From the Production Centres

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sponsors Songs of a Dreamer, Is-minute musical stairting on the Blue
Network Jan. 8, Snow will feature Irms Glen-Aigh Gene Baker, ". Clift
Johnson, WBBM-CBS ambouncers, will be inducted into the Array this week.
Chrt Massey plans a vacation on the west coast after the first of the year,
Chrt Massey plans a vacation on the west coast after the first of the year,
and of writer, has written an article on Carcer in Television for a national
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"Abe Lincolns Story,' new Mutual network show, is directed by Alan. M. Fishburn and not Helen' Fishburn, as previously reported. The Chi whiter-director also is producing the Coronet Little Show' and has scripted a sustainer, Escape, due for an INEC debut Monday (37).

PEABODY SCRUTINY FOR WCKY AIRERS

Cincinnati, Dec. 21. Three WCKY programs finished among the first light in lindings of the Clincy area committee for the annual George Foster Peabody radio awards. Committee, made up of leading pro-fessional figures in the territory, was headed by John F. Locke, community relations director of the Board of

headed by John F. Locke, community relations director of the Board of WCKY shows honored were Let Freedom Ring. This is Mine Teat Freedom Ring. This is Mine Teat CRB; Lux Radio Thater. The stand CRB; Lux Radio Thater. The Lux Radio Thater. The Lux Radio Thater. The Lux Radio Thater of Lux Radio Thater. The Lux Radio Thater. The Lux Radio Thater. The Was donated to the Red Cross blood plasma drive. The Was donated to the Red Cross blood plasma drive, stations, and the Lux Radio Thater. The Lux Radio Th

al competition conducted by Univ. of Ga journalism school.

Submit Robinson As M.C. for New Show

A half-hour variety show with Edward G. Robinson as mc. includ-ing Bobby Ambruster's oveh was submitted to National Kelvinator by Geyer-Corneli and agency-last week. Show would also include a 12-minite spot tied up with the war-effort.

Hough on Blue Bd.

Harold Hough, KGKO, Fort Worth-Dallas, has been named a director of the Blue network, according to an announcement by Edward J. Moble. chairman of the board. Hough is chairman of the networks planning

chairman of the network's planning and advisory committee.
Hough's appointment marks the first time in radio that a station rep, not a network stockholder, has been named a web director and is in line, with policy announced by Noble at Chi meeting of Blue affiliates last month.

Kaltenborn, Back From So. Pacific Tour, Sez We Won't Lick Japs Till '46

H. V. Kaltenborn, back in New York from his South Pacific tour, spoke before a luncheon gathering of radio excess and newsmen at the Waldorf-Astoria on Monday (20):

The commentator predicted that the conflict wouldn't be over before the 'conflict wouldn't be over before 1946. So far-flung is the Pacific battle line, Kaltenborn said, that there'll have to be men and machines, and more men and more machines, before this country can be thinking in terms of victory.

NBC exces present included Niles Trammell, David Sarnoff, Clay Mor-gan, Clarence Menser and William Brooks.



TEXAS RANGERS LIBRARY

HOW TO BUY 7 NEWS PERIODS FOR THE PRICE OF ONE



Would you, sir, like to maybe make one dollar equal. seven? Or eight, perhaps? Or maybe more? Would you like to be able to write a letter like the one written to us the other day by a famous lady time-buyer?

Listen ... "On November 8, as part of a national radio campaign, we started to offer a free sample of Mentholatum on WOR's 7 A.M. news. So far, we are pleased to inform you, WOR HAS PULLED APPROXIMATELY SEVEN TIMES BETTER THAN THE NEXT HIGHEST RANKING STATION!"

Remarkable? NOT when you consider that WOR is the favorite news-station of most of the people all of the time.* NOT when you remember that WOR jabs its potent news-programs into an area that includes 16 warwealthy cities of over 100,000 population each.

Can you buy that particular 7 A.M. news-program? Sorry, it's sponsored. But between 10:00 and 10:15 A.M. and between those two audience-attracters. Alfred McCann and Bessie Beatty-there's another powerful WOR news-strip (with Henry Gladstone) which is available. We urge you to put your bid in early.

. Bused on the WOR-Crossley continuing study of radio listening in Greater New York.

That power-full station

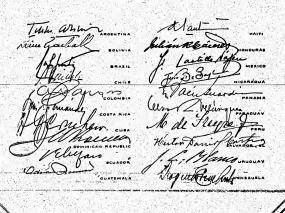
1440 Broadway, New York

On December 13, 1943, in the Patio of the Pan American Union, Washington, D.C., its director, Dr. Leo S. Rowe, in the presence of members of the Diplomatic Corps. The United States Congress, Office of the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs, made a formal presentation of this scroll on behalf of the Ambassadors of all Twenty Latin-American Republics to

ENRIC MADRIGUERA



In recognition of pioneer efforts over the past decade and a half in popularizing Latin American music in the United States... advancing Pan Americanism through this universal language... we the undersigned Ambassadors and Ministers of North, South and Central American Republics, do elect Sr. Envic Madrigueta the "Musical Ambassador of the Americas".



Many thanks to your Excellencies, the Ambassadors of all our Latin-American Neighbors, for the great honor bestowed through your appointment of me as "Musical Ambassador of the Americas,"

Yours for Hemisphere Solidarity,

Puis Madifuera

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STAR FOR A NIGHT 'STAR FOR A NIGHT'
With Paul Douglas, Wend
Hugh James, audience pa
Writer: Bob Harris.
Director: Jack Johnstone.
30 Mins., Wed., 10:30 p.m.
ADAM HATS
WJZ-Blue, New York

WIZ-Blue, New York

(Glickman)

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BITS OF LIFE M. Oakley Christoph 15 Mins.; Mon., 1:30 p.m. Sustaining WTIC, Hartford

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Follow-Up Comment

The Allen guy, Fred, was only slightly tremendous (again) on his second program. And with a pinch-hit guest at that,

Bing Crosby has enjoyed a string of three successive sock performances within the usual time order and an arrangement of the property of the successive sock performance with Lucille Bail and Phil Silvers. The thard came in between those two when the successive suc

On the Low Pour.

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picture of family life.

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played Santa to a group of boys
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Santa Claus influence was evident in the giveaways. First lad at the

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT With Robert Magidoff 15 Mins., Mon.-Frl., 9:45 a.m.

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Jeans Canny Save an ingratiating performance Saturday (19) and Armstrong's Theatre of Today' on WABC-CBS. It was a particularly admirable job, since the script, about a mother, was incredible as well as unpleasant. Incidentally, the copy for Armstrong's closing commercial was a bit sally

was a bit silly.

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Now and Forever, sustaining serrand WABC-CBS, has gained of the character of a new girl, Nancy, a singter bit of fluff not unlike the sort vixen in Guest in the House, sort vixen in Guest in the House, and the control of the character of the control of the character of the control of the character of the charac

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Flashgun Casey, sustaining adventure series on WABC-CBS, is tideally spotted in the 11:30-midnight spot Saturday nights. It's a hokum romantle yarn about a newspaper photog and his sob-sister gaf, usually (Continued on page 40)

EDUCATION FOR FREEDOM With Alois Havrilla, Mark Van Do-ren, Robert Hutchins, Joseph A. Brandt, Stringfellow Barr, Scott Buchanan, Robert I, Gannon, Alex-ander Meiktelohn, John Erskine, Mortimer Adler, Pitkins Sorokin, John Nef, Alfred Noyes, Watter Linuwan.

John Nes, Lippman 15 Mins; Monday, 10:15 p.m. Sustaining WOR-MUTUAL, New York

MURIA, new York
Mutual, in cooperation with Education for Freedom, Inc. recently
(Dec. 18) launched an ambitious and
literate program with Mark Van
Doren as the teeoff speaker and
Alois Havrilla as announcer. Havrilla will remain, but he speakers
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democracy...

Havrilla suggested that future stanzas be listened to by groups, for discussion purposes.

'GIBSON, O'NEIL AND PETRILLO' With Caesar Petrilio Orchestra Sustaining 25 Mins.; Wed., 11:05-11:30 p.m.

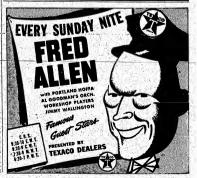
25 Mins.; Wed., 11 (CWT) WBBM-CBS, Chicago

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MORE SPONSORS MULL WAXINGS

with Lever Bres, sheady setting up plans to buy supplementary time or stations throughout the south for a half-hour transcribed show of its hardway single NNC Bob Burner pergam, and the sponsers to the standard properties of the standard

regala their former hold during 1944. In addition to Lever Brow, Amacin, sponsors of the CBS Wednesday, might Easy deed show, and Kolynos, might Easy deed show, and Kolynos, Thurnday night program, are also considering the use of the supplementary facilities via other network for the considering the use of the supplementary facilities via other network for the considering the use of the supplementary facilities via other network for the considering the use of the supplementary facilities via other networks and the supplementary facilities via other networks and the consideration of the cons

cessive costs.

At the present time the Jack Benny show is the only major night-time program that's transcribed and aired on another network. Comedy show is carried on the Don Lee Coast circuit, since Benny wants a nightime Coast audience.

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Sponsors dropped the supplementary shows following the Petrillie of the full network discount, which made "it considerably cheaper to utilize the full cosat-to-cosat facilities and the full network discount, which will be considerably cheaper to utilize the full cosat-to-cosat facilities and the full network discount, which will be considerably cheaper to utilize the full cosat-to-cosat facilities of storys stations in other network of the full cost of the property of the full cost of the property of the station of the station of the station of the station of the property of the

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Bookings: must be arranged hrough Capt. Monroe Greenthal, Inlustrial Services Division, Army Jureau of Public Relations, in Washngton. Greenthal is a former film with the control of the contr industry p.a. who served with before going into the Army.

Educator's 'G-Man' Play Gets Tex. Airing

San Antonio, Dec. 21. San Antonio, Dec. 21.
Original piyelt, 'Adventures of a G-Man,' authored by Dr. Laule C. Proter, will be restured on the Texas School of the Air over the Texas Quality Network on Wednesday (22), Dr. Proter is supervisor radio and visual education in, the state department of education. He is a well-known Texas author and writer of juvenile books.

WFIL Rounds Up Yule Cheer for GI Boys But Dinners Go A-Beggin

Philadelphia, Dec. 21.
Philly lived up to its brotherly love' rep in sensational style this week. WFIL plugged Xmas spirit by

asking citizens to entertain servicemen in town over the holidays at Christmas dinners and got such a

tremendous response that the service organizations cooperating ran out of G. I. guys.

Ted Oberfelder, WFIL promotion director, who turned the invitations over to Army and Navy public relations officers, was told that hungry

Blavne Butcher Goes To Newell Emmett

Blayne Butcher, who resigned rethe Ward Wheelock agency, joined the radio department of the

joined the radio department of the Newell Emmett agency. Butcher will probably take over the new Dunninger show, which bows in on the Blue network for Kem-Tone on Jan. 5, and will also supervise the 'Can You' Top' This' Monday night program on WOR.

servicemen had to be 'rationed' be-cause of scarcity so more than 100 'thank- you-but-regret-to-inform-no-Xmas-guests available' were sent out to warm-hearted Philly families.

Probe Yanking of 'RCAF Smiles' Air Show Off CBC Net Due to AFM Nix

Ottawa, Dec. 21. designed for personnel entertainRoyal Canadian Air Force headquarters here will hold an 'inquir' work.

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Blue and Mutual Station for Memphis

WMPS is under the same management as WCPO, Cincinnati, Ohio and WHOX, Knoxville, Tenn.

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Rewrite White-Wheeler Bill

shall, by licensing choose the sta-tions which shall operate on the ther highways. To put if another way, the traffic officer simply guides and controls the traffic which com's along on the highway, but the licens-ing authority determines what cars shall compose the traffic, or what cars shall be permitted upon the highways.

highways.

The court stresses that public in-terest involves something more than technological considerations in the process of chocsing licensees, but at no point either before or after the quoted paragraph is there any referquoted paragraph is there any retar-nece to programs or program control. Under Section 326 of the Act, the Commission is specifically denied the power to tell a radio, station what it shall or shall not broadcast. The only power which the Commission does have is the power to review the overall service of a station, to de-termine whether it is operating in accordance with public Interest convenience and necessity.

'In short, the cry of the networks

I'm short, the cry of the networks at these hearings has been for Court decision. I have shown you that the decision has nothing to do with programs and therefore to overturn the court's decision would have no effect of an as programs are controlled to the supernormal court of the Supernormal court decision would be the retoration of the Supernormal court decision would be the retoration of court decision would be the retoration of court of the Supernormal court of t

powerful than it ever has been in the past. At another stage in the hearings. Sen. Ernest W. McFarland, Arizona Democrat, asked Fly: 'I take it you do not believe the broadcasting com-

do not believe the broadcasting com-panies greent good programs as a whole, and from what I gather fron, your testimony I assume your rem-edy would be to make it possible, for T am not asking for any control there', replied Fly. T do not want to be understood as suggesting that you authorize the Commission to do apything about it, or to adopt any regulations on the guidect. It is con-civable had Compress itself could



New CAMEL PROGRAM, Friday Met - LOU CLAYTON

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But I think these radio gentlemen
talked about industrial self-regulation and about complete freedom
and so on. They have had complete
program structure through the years,
and you can take the morning paper
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Now, If Congress can devise a way
to bring about a greater degree of
responsibility there in terms of the
wider, rather than in terms of
ulase it from hour to hour, it might
well produce some good results.

Free Enterprise

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is in the best interest of the public of the United States and give them a monopoly on ideas in this country. The country of the United States and give them a monopoly on ideas in this country. Ply said that the various educational and scientific programs have been called the desirability of the time accorded the desirability of the time accorded them. He said during the week, of Dec. 12 'during the best listening bours which are from'? to It in the Observation of the Country of th

Washington,-WMAI. Blue statlo wasangton.-WMAI, Blue statlor here: has added two announcers to the staff. They are Robert Tree West formerly with WHOM, New York and Allen Hampton, ex-chief an-nouncer for WSLS, Roanoke.

Phone Rehearsal

Phone Rehearsal
Patsy Campbell, flu victim, did,
her rehearsing via telephone last
Saturday (18) for her skedded
WBNX, N. Y., Sunday appearance on a program for Germanance on a program for Germanthe Civilian Defense. Volunters
Office. Miss Campbell's reading
and timing of 'The Night Before
Christmas' and the famous N. Y.
Sun editorial, 'Is 'There a Santa
Claus' was checked by phone
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Flu germs surrendered in time for the actress to appear Sunday night (19) and the program went off on schedule.

Forecasts Tele Delay in Aussie

Sydney, Dec. 21.

Sir Ernest Fisk, chairman of Amalgamated Wireless and also active in commercial radio on his recent recommercial radio, on his recent re-turn fron, the United States proph-esled that television was a certainty for Australia with the coming of peace, but opined widespread service could not be expected within five years. Major problem for local com-

years. Major problem for local com-mercial tele operators, he sald, would be high cost of programs. This obstacle, according to Sir Ernest, probably would be worker, out in England and the U. S. with Australian outitis as beneficiaries. He also predicted that technical prob-lems which new prevent long range to the proper service of the property of the pro-terior property protection of the pro-terior property of the pro-terior protection of the protection of the protection of the pro-terior protection of the protection of the protection of the pro-terior protection of the
AUSSIE BUILDS UP ITS RADIO SERVICE

Sydney, Dec. 21. The Australian Broadcasting Com-mission, in association with United States authorities, is going ahead with erection of additional equip-ment to existing outlets and con-struction of one new station in the Southwest Facilic combast area. New outlet is being installed to provide outlet is being installed to provide fighting young. ace reception fighting zones.

fighting zones.

Also planned are plenty of relayed programs from the U.S. to give fighting men an abundance of news and entertainment from home.

WCAU's Space-Grabbing In School, College Mags

In School, College Mags
Philadelphia, Dec. 21.
WiCAU Is tapping a hitherto united source of publicity — the school and college magazines.
Under the seglis of Efrima Mac Legis of Efrica Machanier, Is sent and printed in more than 50 school publications.
The justifulions include swants making chools, private, public and fineling chools, private, public and didution to being used in school putting the station that the newslefer, in addition to being used in school putting the school publications.

dition to being used in school publi-cations, would be utilized in class-rooms for current events studies.

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taking the form of a whodunit and with a tough managing editor and thick-wit cop as subsidiary charge-ters. It's all stereotype and a trifle-juvenile, but acceptable light enter-tripment for that hour.

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Philip Morris Playhouse on Friday (17) night presented Brian Donleyy in a vivid dramatization of the saga of 'Wake Island' Donleyy played the part of the island's Marine comman-

Inside Stuff—Radio

With 73 out of 210 former staff members of the four Chi networks in the armed forces, NBC leads all the others. WGN-Mutual is second with Mo, CBS has 38 and the Blue Network 16. Among the brass hast that are considered to the control of the contr

CBS is making available to all its affiliates transcriptions of the Dec. 3 broadcast by Edward Murrow, its correspondent in London, which was stortwaved here almost immediately after he alighted from the bomber which took him over Berlin in the deviatating raid of the preceding night, and which took the lives of three other correspondents. Several of the stations which failed to pick up the broadcast have since put in a bid for the transcription, resulting in CBS's move to give it widespread distribution. Murrow's falk has also been incorporated by CBS into an attractive brochure.

Robert Si. John, NBC's roving foreign correspondent who returned to New York recently, has been buddling with network exces for contract renewal discussions. Reported new dicker will as Si. John on one weekly with the properties of the properties

Something like the Lou Costello incident, when the comedian went on the air following news of the tragic drowning of his one-year-old son, has been repeated in the case of radio actor Bill Gray.

The Navy Department notified him several days ago that his son, Warren, 21-year-old ensign, first pilot on a PBV plane, was reported missing following a sub patrol mission over the Atlantic. A day later Grey clowed his way through NBC's morning sustainer, Mirth and Madness.

The rising popularity of hilibility missic on the radio is the subject of a forthcoming article written for Satevepost. Piece deals particularly with the Grand Old Op'ry' show, which this year went full network on NBC after several year as one of the top programs heard in the south. The hilbility program originates from Nativities and has a rating of 2 the NBC Barn Dance (11.4), and the Colgate Judy Canova program on CBS (11.5).

Mutual's This Is Fort Dix, emcedd by Tom Slater, celebrated its fourth anniversary Sunday (19). George McCoy, who used to conduct the side-walk interviews in front of the Hotel Astor in New York, was heard on a pickup from North Africa, where he runs a similar program for his brothers-in-struct.

OWI was so impressed with Phileo's teeoff 'Radio Hall of Fame' program ('Winged Victory'. Bob Hope, Jimmy Durante, Hildegarde, Maurice Rocco, Quentin Reynolds) that it is recording all the Phileo-Variety' shows hence-forth for shipment to the warfronts.

Blue Network is currently considering adding femme musicians to its house orchestra, at present time experimenting with a few gals in the string section. If policy is adopted, Blue will be the first net to use femmes extensively.

der with intensity and intelligence, and managed to sound convincing. The rest of the cast were equally ef-fective, and it all added up to a click

session.

It was fitting that such an episode should receive reenactment at this time; when our armed forces are engaged in the invasion of similar islands in the Southwest and Middle Pacific.

Pacific.

Saturday's (18) broadcast of 'An Englishman Looks at Broodlyn' over MSC was on a par with the previous PSC was on a par with the previous Ceoffrey Bridson, who also scripts be about a dozen Broadlyn's control of the Broadlyn's control of the Broadlyn's control of the Broadlyn's control of the Broadlyn's control of Disparaging Remarks to Brooklyn control of the Broadlyn's control of the Broadlyn's control of Broadlyn's control

Bernadine Flynn, on Crisco's newspaper over CBS (14), broadcast portions of Meyer Berger's moving portions of Meyer Berger's moving ordered Hospital to hospitals nearer General Hospital to hospitals nearer General Hospital to hospitals nearer to the control of the Company of

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THE GEORGE P. HOLLINGBERY COMPANY

FCC Bares Plan to License Stations For 3 Years; to Stagger Renewals

Washington, Dec. 21...
A plan to step up the license period of standard broadcast stations to three years has been announced by FCC. This control of the period of the period of the period of the period by FCC. The state of the period of the provide of the period of the period of the provide of the period of t

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entering the matter of extending the normal term of licenses, the Commission has always had to consider the concept of a license as a buble trust and the need of the industry for all the assurance and stability of the consideration of the control
Expiration Dates

Under the stagger plan announced Wednesday, expiration dates will be as follows

as follows:
Nov. 1; 1946, for stations operating
of the frequencies: 640, 650, 660, 670,
680, 690, 700, 710, 720, 730, 740, 730,
770, 770, 780, 800, 810, 820, 830, 840,
850, 860, 870, 880, 890, 900, and 940

kc... May 1, 1945, for stations on 990, 1000, 1010, 1020, 1030, 1040, 1050, 1060, 1070, 1080, 1080, 1100, 1120, 1130, 1140, 1160, 1170, 1180, 1190, 1200, 1210, 1220, 1500, 1510, 1320, 1330, 1340, 1350, 1370, and 1380 kc... May 1, 1946, for stations on 550, 570, 580, 590, 600, 610, 620, 630, and 790 kc..

and 790 kc.

May 1, 1947, for stations on 910, 920, 530, 950, 960, 970, 980, 1150, 980, 1250, 12

Aug. 1, 1946, for stations on 1240

k.c. Feb. 1, 1947, for stations on 1340 Aug. 1; 1947, for stations on 1400

c. Feb. 1, 1948, for stations on 1450

Aug. 1, 1948, for stations on 1490

10.500 Hillbilly Fans Flock to WKRC (Cincy) Fiddlin' Champ Contest

WKRO close the worst week in WKRO close the worst week in Christians close the Christians clo Cincinnati, Dec. 21.

Sidebotham, Holmes Join Compton Agcy.

John A. Sidebotham, formerly with Knight & Gilbert and Fuller & Smith & Ross, has joined the Compton agency as art director.

Beth Holmes, formerly with B.B.D. & O., has joined the Compton copy department.

Station's Bond Unit

Fargo, N. D., Dec. 21.
Fifteen WDAY entertainers trek
out of Fargo, Jan. 19, on a War Bond
Caravan slated to hit six Minnesota
towns, Fergus Falls, Glenwood,
Brainerd, Detroit Lakes, Thief, River
Falls, Crookston and Gratton, N. D.
Troupe is due back here Jan. 27.

Chi Femme Show Clicks in Switch To 'Man's Angle'

ing spent in radio trying to hit the woman's angle on air shows, Paul Gibson, WBBM spieler here, has evolved what is considered an unusual approach in its selling power It's exactly opposite of almost every other program on the air aimed at femme appeal. Income from various sponsors who have been on the pro gram for years totals in excess of

gram for years totals in excess of \$3,000 a week on a purely local show Gibson, who has been on the ab 3-and-a-half years and has received more than 100,000 letters from listen.

Gibson, who has been on the air season, who has been on the air season with the season of the season

femmes.

Among the products that are sponsors of the show are books, butter, breakfast cereal, motion pictures, weather stripping, prunes, griddle cakes and household cleanser. Gloson won't accept vitamins, loan companies, beer, whiskey or cosmetics.

NBC's 2d Employee School Starts Jan. 10

School Starts Jan. 10

NBC-starts its record season of employee instruction classes. Jan. 10 with a course of four subjects: Announcing-Sound-Effects, Productions of the course of the

Joe Mansfield, Wendell Adams, John Becker and Sherman Jack' MacGregor new members of the Radio Directors Guild.

RID Lines Up Rebuttal As FCC Probers Near **End of Garey Evidence**

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Special House Committee sinvestigating FCC will receive the last testimony and evidence from its chief
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January 17 or 18, and then will be
ready to hear the Communications
Commission side of the story.
FCC, which has taken a battering
for months from the committee, formently headed by Rep. Eugene E.
Rep. Clarence Lea, of California, is
Rep. Clarence Lea, of California, is
reported preparing some sensa-

reported preparing some sensa-tional rebuttal of the Garey charges.

charges.
First agency to air its atory will be the Radio Intelligence Division of FCC. Among the witnesses will be the Radio Intelligence Division of FCC. Among the Williams of the Williams of the Williams of the Williams of the Commission and Assistant Chief Engineer Gaoge Stepling, who is chief of RID.

Lea has promised that FCC will be given full and complete oppor-tunity to answer all charges and as present as many witnesses and as much testimony as it desires.

NEW YR.'S GRID GAMES ALL SET FOR AIRING

Gillette on New Year's Day will sponsor four post-season grid 'classics,' Two games will be broad-cast by CBS and two over the Mutual web.

Mutual web.

Another post-season clash, the
Rose Bowl, daddy of them all, will
be an NBC unsponsored feature, with
Bill Stern doing the play-by-play.
Ted, Husting will handle his selfpromoted Miami Orange Bowl game
on CBS with Jimmy Dolan assisting.

on CBS with Jimmy Dolan assisting. Harry Wisner comes over from the Blue chain to broadcast the Sugar Bowl struggle from New Orleans over CBS. He will have Bill Berngle alongside the mike. On Bowl game Don Dunphy is ekedder or play-by-play with Earl Harper for color, etc. The other Mutual chain football broadcast, will have Earl Smith in the stands describing the structure of the color of the structure of the color of

Shortwave relays are being set up to bring a generous slice of the New Year's Day gridiron fare to service-men in distant lands and at sea.

Radio Engineers Map Agenda for N. Y. Huddle

Washington, Dec. 21.
The Standard Broadcasting Panel of the Radio Technical Planning Board will hold its first meeting on Wednesdry, Jan. S. at. Abe. Hotel Pennsylvania, New York.
Session will bring together engineers from all parts of the country.
Agenda is still in preparation.

So. Pacific R.R. Plans Buving Time To Plug OWI Travel Curb Messages

Nips DX'er in Singapore

Washington, Dec. 21.

Japs are readying a powerful new shortwave station , at Singapore, which will be in operation shortly, according to word here.

Station is to be used to all parts of the world, with 'particular attention to the Southwest Pacific.

KLX Breaking Up Hitchhikers With Patriotic Tunes

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ee because of newly instituted mu-

CBS' Air Corps Show

On the Beam, a specially pre-pared half-hour variety-dramatic show emanating from the Army Basic Training Corps Center at Greenboro, N. C., goes full network over CBS on Friday (24) in the 3:30-

over CBS on Fluey Carriery
A p.m. slot.
Cpl. Ian Martin, the radio actor,
and his wife, Inge Adams, will appear in the dramatic presentation,
'The Lady From Hell,' which otherwise will feature an Air Corps talent

Program has been written by Pfc. Millard Lampell and Pvt. Joseph

Fight That Fiu

Jumping in to lie, in with the su-epidemic now sweeping-parts of the epidemic now sweeping-parts of the syod announcements on key high-power stations coast-to-coast stress-ing antisepite properties of prepara-tion and giving hints on ways to the company of the coast of the Mischell, got underway this week.

Radio Nets Again Set Up One-Day Bond Pitch for 4th Loan Drive

With Treasury cooperation, Mutual will launch the program on Jan. 12, With CBS set for Feb. 1 and Blue on Feb. 13. Nets are now preparing the entertainment lineup and indications are that a kickoff program on Jan. 17, eve of the drive, will set the ball in motion.

in motion.

The 56 transcriptions, comprising 30 five-minute shows and 26 15 min-30 five-minute shows and 26 [Jsmin-ute programs which are to be made available for local sponsorship to stations for the first time, will play a big part in promoting sales in-rural districts. Approximately one-third of the transcriptions have been changed by the control of the con-tained as roat the Triesday's plan to win over the smaller bond pur-chasers.

chasers.
The 30 five-minute records, Treas- Kemple.

The one day set aside by networks ury Song for Today, feature Jimmy to promote the sale of bonds during Carroll, Ray Heatherlon, Mar He Third War Loan Drive will be, Small and Kay Lorsine, each chiprepated again during the Fourth ping in with six or seven suints on War Loan Drive from Jan 18 to wax, with an introduction by a Few Carroll of the Carro

General respitate requests worthe time.
William S. Rainey, head of the radio section of the War Finance Division of the Treasury, heads for the Coast. Dec. 27 to line up 12 special Treasury Star Parade programs to supplement the approximate 350 already released. This series continues at the three-a-week rate. The 26 Treasury Salute' programs directed Brockman conducting the ore-term of the state of the stat

Washington, Dec. 21:
The Southern Pacific Railroad is reported negotiating for spot announcements and 15-minute time slots for sponsored radio shows on stations in the road's territory stressstations in the road's territory six-sizing necessity for civilian restriction on travel and the probability was mentioned by Philip Cohen, of the OWI. Radio Section, that other lines for the contract would follow the contract which is not contract to the contract which is not contract to the contract which is not contract to the co

explaining that such a move would be up to the individual lines. Southern Pacific is the first to meet the stations' requests for railroad sponsorship of the travel spots placed by OWI.

City-Run WNYC **Again Under Fire**

blast.

Hitting at the present policy as not being in the best interests of the public, Nathan hinted that there were other reasons why the station should be abolished.

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CRAFT SHOP BENEFITS WLW'S MAIL BAGGERS

Cincinnati, Dec. 21.
Lobby of the WLW-WSAI down-Loops of the WLW-WSAI down-town studies, which gets a heavy daily play from visitors, has been converted into a eraft shop during the holidays, Hundreds of articles made by handicapped members of WLW's Mail Bag Club are being sold there, the entire proceeds going to the makers

Mail Baggers are in every state and also in Canada. Their weekly program is aired on Saturday.

Blue Gets Jump With Post-War Program Idea

To Sit Wat - 1 fog: Tall Micks
The Blue gets the jump on the
other networks in 1944 postwarslanted dramatic programs. On New
Year's, Day the web will present a
full-hour play. Firolidar, 194s. Will
G-2 p.m.) will presend the weeklyMet opera broadcast.
The Blue is currently liningseveral Broadway legit names for
principal roles. Script portrays an
ger ahip to leave the U. S. for Europe when the peace comes.

WGY's 'Speaking Of Books' Takes 1st Holiday

BOOKS TARCS 1St. ITUILIDAY
For the first time in its three years
on the air, WGY's 'Speaking of
Books' is taking a Christmas holiday.
After a two-week layoff the program
will resume Jan. 7, when either exgovernor Wilbu Cross' Comeeticut
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George M. Cohan, Prince of the
American Theater, 'probably will be
discussed by author and critics.

Bands Way Off But Savitt-Sinatra Hot 48½G, Philly; Garber 21G, Cleve.

(Estimates for This Week)
B'Artega, Omaha (Orpheum; 3,000;
20-65)—With 'Something About Soldier' (Col). Modest enough \$11,500 or near, but best grosser in ordi-nary lineup this week.

Charlie Barnet, Pittsburgh (Stan-ley; 3,800; 30-75)—With 'Cross of Lorraine' (M-G). Looks like one of WB deluxer's poorest weeks in years. Barnet will be lucky to get \$12,500, session before Xmas pinning his cars back.

Ted Fio Rite, Providence (Metro-politan; 3,200; 36-59)—Plus 'Trans-atlantic Tunnel' (GB). Fairly good \$6,000 in 3-day weekend run.

\$5,000 in 3-day weeken run.
Gien Gray, New York (Strand; 2,756; 35-\$1.10)—With Northern Pursuit' (WB), and Willie Howard, others, on stage (4th wk), Mild \$30,000 but holds through to New Year's.

Woody Herman, New York (Paramount; 3,664; 35-\$1.10)—With 'No Time for Love' (Par) (3d wla), and Marion Hutton, others, on stage. Sixth week for Herman and Hutton. Marion Hutton, others, on stage Sixth week for Herman and Hutton Good \$42,000 for final week.

Jan Garber, Cleveland (Palace; 3.-700: 35-85)—With 'Crime School' (WB) (reissue). Only bill to hold up in a week of floppos, and has enough push in name value to garner satisfactory \$21,000.

Jimmie Lunceford, Boston (RKO Boston; 3200; 44-99)—Plus Milis Brothers, others, on stage, and Rookiess Burma' (RKO), Caught in seasonal slump to draw \$22,000, film not figuring here.

nof figuring here.

Jan Savitt, Philadelphia (Earie; 2.76%; 68-85)—With Frank Sinatafoliers, on stage, and Mystery Broadolders, on stage, and Mystery Broadold here at tilted scale, with rousing
\$45.00 in prospect despite offish bir
all over four at other houses, Obvition; 4269, 35-8-11.0)—With (Girl
Caray, (M.-C) and All Dexter. Bea
Walin, Jackle Milles, on stage (5d wk).

Ext. 54,500,00, but deen't hold furtion; 45,500,00, but deen't hold fur-

Band Bookings

Earl Hines, Dec. 27, South Street Casino, Orlando, Fla.; 28, Club Windsor, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; 29, sor, rort Lauderdaie, Fla.; 29, Harlem Square Club, Miama; 30, Ellie theatre, Winterhaven, Fla.; Jan. 3, City Aud., Macon, Ga.; 4, Aud., Atlanta; 5, Municipal Aud., Birming-ham; 8-10, Brookley Field, Mobile,

Count Basie, Jan. 3. Danceland, Montreal; 4. Aud., Ottawa; 5. Armory, Kingston, Ont. Cah.; 6. Municipal Arena Toronio; 7. Aud. Kitchener, Ont.; 8. Sport Arena Rochester; 9. Aud., Buffale; 10. Mosque, Harrisburg, Pa.; 11. Strand B. Ballimore; 12. Colonnades, Washington, D. C.

Vaughn Monree, Dec. 24-26, Lyric theatre, Bridgeport, Conn.; 28, Rhodes - on - Pawticket, Providence; 29, Masonic Temple, Scranton; 30, Geo. F. Pavillion, Johnson City, N. Y.

Hal Melniyre, Jan. I, Longacre B., Topeka, Kan.; 2, Pla-Mor B., Kan-sas City 4, Surf B., Clear Lake, Ia.; 5, Prom. B., St. Paul; 7, week Oriental theatre, Chicago; 14, week, Riverside theatre.

Georgie Auid, Dec. 31-Jan. 9, Ray-

mor B. Boston.

Duke Eilington, Dec. 26, Aud.,
Kansas City; 27, Municipal Aud.,
Kansas City; 31, four weeks, Stevens hotel. Chicago.

hotel, Chicago.

Louis Prima, Jan. 14, week, Stanley theatre, Pittsburgh; 21, Earle theatre, Philadelpiha; 28, week, Howard theatre, Washington; Feb. 4-6, State theatre, Hartford; 10, week, RKO Boston, Boston; 17, week, State theatre, New York.

Jan Savitt arrived in Pittsburgh last week for his Stanley theatre engagement minus a sax, violinist and cello player, and used Harry Singer and Bunny Droun, from Stanley house orch, and George Curry, of the Pittsburgh Symphony.

Virtue Remains

Triumphant As Gay '90s Tunes Rebound'

By . ---BEATRICE KAY

A Music Dept. Feature in the 38th Anniversary Number

VARIETY

(Post-war Show Business Edition)

\$995 R.R. TIX STOLEN FROM AYRES, ANDREWS 3

Thief with a lot of nerve stole approximately \$995 worth of railroad tickets from Mitch Ayres and Andrews Sisters last week and within a couple of hours had cashed the batch in at the Santa Fe branch office. Beside the letchet, Ayres lost several hundred dollars in cash, taken from his trathe. Seekstage at the Majestic. his trunk backstage at the Majestic

blindred doubts are the Majestic, Alahomo, and Alahomo, and Alahomo, and Alahomo, and addition to the loss of the cash represented by the train tickets, group lost the travel privileges the thickets provided. By the time the thickets provided. By the time the thickets provided. By the time the had resold them. This left the band and singers in the position of being without transportation. String of pasteboards covered their entire route back to Hollywood, where year to make another film for Universal with the Andrews Sisters.

Bandleader Wins \$500 Verdict in Libel Suit

Against Mass, Daily

Against Mass, Daily
Springfield, Mass, Dec 21.
Abraham Goldman, alian Robert
Goldman, Brooklyn bandleader who
is known professionally as Bobbie
Norzis, gol a 8500 verdict from a
week in his 85000 lible situ against
The Republican Publishing Company, Goldman, a member of local
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alialed him a draft dodger in a story
detailing his arrest by the FB on
August 21, 1942.
Goldman, no arrested for calling
to notify his Brooklyn draft board
that he had moved to West Springfield, where his band was playing att
that the had moved to West Springfield, where his band was playing att
dropped when it appeared that he
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had moved between the time the indictment was issued and the time
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were other results of the story,
Goldman is classified 4-F.

Bands at Hotel B.O.'s

(Presented herewith, as a weekly tabulation, is the estimated cover charge business being done by name bonds in various New York hotels. Dinner business (7-10 pm.) not retad. Figures after name of hotel give room capacity and cover charge. Larger amount designate as hotel diventions of the complete of the based on period from stonday for Saturday.)

	Covers	
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Rand Hotel Play	ed Week	
Ray Heatherton, Biltmore (400; \$1-\$1.50) 27	1,125	37,300
Lani McIntire*., Lexington (300; 75c-\$1.50) 97	1,675	174,000
Sonny Dunham New Yorker (400; \$1-\$1.50) 1	1,975	1,975
Tommy Dorsey Pennsylvania (500; \$1-\$1.50): 11	3,375	36,500
Leo Reisman Walderf (550; \$2)	2,350	33,250
Count BasieLincoln (275; \$1-\$1.50) 6	1,700	, 10,100
Guy Lombardo Roosevelt (400; \$1-\$1.50) 11	2,050	25,825
Enric Madriguera Commodore (400; \$1-\$1.50) 5	950	7,025
Abe Lyman Essex House (300; \$1-\$1.50) 4	1,000	4,900

* Asterisks indicate a supporting floor show. New Yorker and Billmore have ice shows. Waldorf has the Hartmans, Annamary Dickey.

Los Angeles

Freddy Martin (Ambassador, 900; \$1-81.50). It was the week before Christmas and all over town people were flu-bound and covers faw down. 10 3,400.

Jose Reichman (Billimore; 900; \$1-81.50). None was spared, not even this spot. Call it 3,500.

Chicago

Griff Williams (Conjier Boom, Palmaie, T59, 28.4556 min.). Christ-mas slumy feel bree, but Williams mind feel 1977 good 2.200. Himny foy (New Walnut Room, Biamarek Rotell 485; \$1.50-42.59 min.). Johnny Long (Panther Room, Sherman bolel; 950; \$1.50-42.59 min.). Long proving big draw hyee, Eespin figure in neighborhood of excellent

8,000.

Neil Bondahu Mayfair Room, Blackstone held, 400; \$250 min.). Rente.

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Eddle Oliver (Marina Room, Edgewater Beach hotel; 1,100; 50c and 75c cover charge plus \$1.25 min.). Parties aided Oliver in packin' in another big 4,000.

Location Jobs, Not in Hotels

(Los Angelet)

Teddy Powell (Pelladium, B. Hollywood, third week). L. A. Examiner
Christmas benefit accounted for \$300 of the week's \$5,500 tetal. Tahi,
The state of the stat

Lou Bresse (Chez Pares; 850; 33-33.50 mln.). Jos E. Lewis and Breess have 'em putting tables on the dance floor. Capacity 5,000.
Del Couriesy (Blackhawk; 500; 5142.50 mln.). Business off due to holidays, but Couriney got good 4,500.

1st of 'Back Room' Jazz Concerts This Season Clicks at N.Y. Town Hall

By DON WALSH
TOWN Hall (N Y.) went back
room again Saturday afternoon (18)
hotel Eddle Condon brought a
troupe of talented jarr musicians in
or the flast of this season's four 5:30
p.m. concerts. In featured spots
were the veteran Negro, planist,
James P. Johnson, who paid a musical tribute to Fats Waller, and songstress Lee Wiley in three Gershwin
songs.

had moved between the time the indictiment was sixed and the lime he was picked up by an Thi agent, and the properties of the properties o

ing announcement by Condon was handled the same way, with no dra-matics.

matics.

Miss Wiley dressed up the singe a little bit—the boys were in sports togs for the most part (Kaminsky, Bunkhii and the Cafe Society delegation excepted)—and four treatment of Cot a contract of the contract of the contract Sweet and Lowdown clicked all the way.

Gate was only fair, but audience was a well behaved one. Nobody swooned and there was no stomping swooned and there was no sompting in the asises or attempts to mount the stage. The concerts are a good taken for those who know and appreciate good jazz, and can stand the \$1.65-\$1.10 nut for privilege of listening to it in concert surroundings.

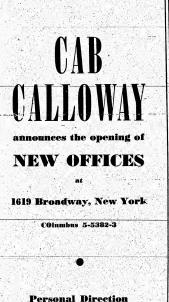


If It's in TUNE-DEX

It's An Important Tune!

JAN RUBINI

VIOLINIST AND CONDUCTOR Just returned from entertaining our fighting bors in the South Pacific. Now at Salt Lake City; Ely, Novada: Spokane, Wash. Dec. 27, Palomar Theatre, Seattle; than Canada,



WILLIAM H. MITTLER

WLB Decision on Disc Tiff Due Jan. 6: Victor Not Going Out of Biz

Jalle V, YARAU II.

It's expected that the Wr Labor and the grant of the common the recording situation as it applies to Columbia and RCA-leich not the recording situation as it applies to Columbia and RCA-leich not holdouts against the ATMIS settlement agreement with RCA-leich and
dispatched wires to trade papers and others concerned with the case as extrange and others concerned with the case as extrange and of the recording business. This impression had been gathered from a recent statement by Miles Trainmell, MISC head, made in washington, that IRCA would discontinue to the control of the cont

and race recordings. He will headand race recordings. He will headhad been rumored as stepping into
a position, as head of a new disc
company, although where the pressing facilities would originate for such
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plained. Another rumor of a new
disc outil sprang up lists week. "It
concerned an outfit titled, National
Record Co., to begin action soon,
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receive for the pop records made at the same time. Local objected to this agreement, Local objected to this agreement, stating that transcriptions should be paid for at the local's regular rate for transcriptions and not at the AFAI-Decca set rate of \$18 for every 15-minute disc made. As a rule a quarter-hour transcription carries five meldodics.

2D PA. DANCE SPOT TO TEST NAME BANDS

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Valencia Baltroom, York, Pa., operated by Sadie Tassia, it also re-opening a mane band policy New Year's night as a test that will guide fature policy, Spot haart used a forture policy. Spot haart used a fature policy, Spot haart used a fature policy. Spot haart used a fransportation of the policy of t

Jee Glaser shoved off for Coast Monday (20), picking up family in Chicago enroute, to remain in Hol-lywood over holidays.

Reisman's Style Switch

Leo Reisman expects to revise his band's style after the first of the bands style after the first, of the year, shifting from its current society groove to a more popular middle cade between sweet and swing. He feels that the band's present course limits it does much to certain types ling at theatre work and other bookings played by pop-slyle outlies. Resisman is currently at the Walfart hotel, N. Y. giving way this works to Xavier Cugat. Latter is in the xiew of the control o

Jan. Looks Dull **Again for Bands**

WHITEMAN GOING INTO N. Y. ROXY IN APRIL

Paul Whiteman, muscal director of the Blue network and maestro of the Blue network and maestro of the Philo-Variety' Radio Hall of Fame, has been booked for the Rooxy, to open some time in April, with length of stay not yet set. Whiteman, under present plans, is set to conduct a combination of his own musicians and the house band.

Columnist

LOUIS SOROL Reminisces on

'A MOUTHFUL OF BAND BILLING

in the 88th Anniversary Number of

VARIETY

(Post-War Show Business Edition)

USO to Build Own Jazz Units

Experiencing little response so far up to six pieces overseas to entertain troops, USO-Camp Shows, Inc is mulling the idea of putting to-gether groups of its own. Teddy Wilson is said to be interested in going over in company with mu-sicians the USO will place around him

him.

On the domestic front, the USO received word yesterday (Tuesday) that Woody Herman, one of three or four top name outlist which had promised a definite series of camp dates, had set aside the period from March 13 to 30 for a tour. This is after Herman's forthcoming film date on the Coast with UA and prior to his control of the Coast with UA and prior to have the control of the Coast with UA and prior to have the control of the Coast with UA and prior to have the control of the Coast with UA and prior to have the control of the Coast with UA and prior to have the control of the Coast with UA and prior to have the control of the Coast with UA and prior to have the control of the Coast with UA and prior to have the coast with the coast with UA and prior to have the coast with the coast w

Men Too Much Trouble. Switches to Girl Orch

Pittsburgh, Dec. 21. Pittsburgh, Dec. 21.
After losing two and three men as week for a year to Uncle Sam and defense plants. Pall Allwes, local bandleader, has had enough. He'd dropped his pale orch and is organizing an 11-5 feer femme outfit. First any of rehearsal, ome of the gifts and of the plants of the year.

ballroom right to be under the per-year.

The band will be under the per-sonal management of Ralph Harri-son, former dance maestro, who has been in the agency and personal management business locally for sev-eral years.

N. Y. Hotels in Tough Spot for Bands: Leaders Veer From Losing Dates

Lewis Stavs in N. Y.

Ted Lewis' orchestra has been held over at the Hurricane Restaurant, N. Y. until March 29 next year. His run by then will have covered five months, which, with the sixmonth run of Duke Ellington and the four weeks filled by Hal McIntyre between the two, means the Hurricane will have used only three bands in a full year.

Lewis is drawing perhaps the high-

est salary a leader ever was paid on Broadway, for his band and show He's in on a \$5,000 weekly guarantee

Krupa Goes With T. Dorsey Band

Gene Krupa Joins Tommy Dorsey's orchestra today (Wednesday) at the Paramount Ineatre, N. Y., a move that had been on the fire for almost two weeks, but wasn't definitely seltled until last Thursday (16). Krupa played with Dorsey's band Saturday (18), its final evening at the Pennsylvania hotic), N. Y. Drummer will get no special billing at the Par.

Krupa was with Benny Goodman's

no special billing at the Par.

Krupa was with Benny Goodman's
orchestra at the New Yorker hotel,
N. Y, from early in October until
last week, when that band was replaced by Sonny Dunham, Ij, hadbeen expected that he would work
with Goodman on the latter's trio of
theatre weeks before going to the
Coast, but it didn't work out that

Dorsey had negotiated with Krupa re joining his band while the two were in Hollywood late in the sum-mer. Deal fell through at that time, Par will be Krupa's first theatre date since returning to the biz.

Cugie's 2 Chores

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Kavier Cugut's opening at the
Wedgwood room of the WaldorfAstoria fomorrow night (23) is the
start of a six weeks' engagement at
the class spot.

The rhumba spectalist ato is slated
for six weeks at the Paramount thetime of the country of

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Nitery Juke Operators Seen Paying Special Tax for Cleve, Relief

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Jubebox orgrandro with Jubebox of Carentors with Jubebox of Carentors with Jubebox of Carentors with Jubebox of Cleveland, with proceeds being used for relief purposes, if an ordinance suggested by Mayor Frank J. Fact that there are a minimum of 2,000 .music boxes grinding out canned music hotses grinding out canned music boxes grinding out canned music boxes grinding out was pointed out by the mayor in lobbying for this measure. Tax would be collected either in the form your fact that the control of the collected grinding of the legality of Lausche's idea that Cleveland's tunds for the relief of destitute families. Phonograph mechanic association, represented by against the proposed ordinance, but a poll revealed that enough council men favor passing it.

Chicago Jukes Taxed

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Chicago, Dec, 21.
The juke-box industry here, was
hit for a \$43000 jackpot last week
when the city council, searching, for
new sources of revenue, passed an
ordinance providing for a \$50 licents
fee for each box effective Jan. I.
There are an estimated 5000 jukes
- Although the aldermen have Ionig
Jacked. on. the lucrative, Jukebox
business as a source of income, they

Inoked on the literative jugebox business as a source of income, they were wont to declaim against it, too. The industry 'is the biggest racket in the country,' Alderman John J. Duffy remyrked before the council approved the license fee by a vote of 29 to 15.

OMAHA'S ACE BALLROOM DESTROYED BY BLAZE

Chemiot ballroom, largest in this section, was gutted by fire in the early hours of Thursday (16). Buldstein, but on the early hours of Thursday (16). Buldstein, but on the early hours of Thursday (16). Buldstein, but on the early hours of the month of the winds shift of the Martin-Nebusska bomber plant employees. Damage will exceed \$5000, and Tom Archer, operator of the Chermot and stringstein exceed \$5000, and Tom Archer, operator of the Chermot and stringstein the area when would be done as well as the control of the contr

of other midwest ballrooms, was unable to say what would be done atthis time.

Archer had arrived in Omaha just
that day to see about replacing his
Chermot manger, Joe Wash, 33,
who died suddenly early last week,
Chermot was a highly successful operation and played the, top ball.

Hal McIntyre 4-F

Hall McIntyre took an induction physical in N. Y. last week and was rejected. Leader, flew info N. Y. from Mismi, where his band is at the Flagler Gadens, to lake the test. McIntyre had been in 1-A for months prior to his physical. It was delayed due to the poor health of his wife.

Your Best Salesman In All Markets –

Present and Juture



NBC, CBS, Blue, Mutual Plugs

Following list of the most played popular tunes on the networks for the week beginning Monday and through Sunday, Dcc. 13 to Dec. 19 from S p.m. to 1 a.m., is divided into two sections The first section represents the first approximately 25 leaders in alphabetical order (in some eases there are ties, accounting for a longer list), and the second section contains the 'also rans,' but notated in arithmetical order. The compilations embrace the NBC, CBS, Blue and Mutual Networks, as represented by WEAF, WABC, WJZ and WOR, N. Y., and are based on data provided by Accurate Reporting Service, regular checking source of the music publishing industry.

Double daggers preceding publisher-credits indicate BMI affiliation; all others ASCAP.

	Besame Mucho By the River of Roses	2Mclodylane -
	By the River of Roses	Shapro
	Close to You	Barton
	Don't Sweetheart Me	Advance
	For First Time	Shaniro
	For First Time	Remick
	I Couldn't Sleep Last Night- Higher and Higher	Harme
	I'll Be Home For Christmas	Morris
	In a Friendly Little Harbor	*Campbell
	Is My Baby Blue Tonight	Broadway
	I've Had This Feeling Before-+ Show Business'	South
	Little Did I Know	Lincoln
	Little Did I Know My Heart Tells Mc— Rosie O'Grady' My Ideal	DVC
	Mu. Ideal	Thursday -
	My Ching Down (Chyle the Limit)	Mount
	No Levy Me Mother Money's All Trend	Tolografia
	My Shining Hour—†Sky's the Limit'	Witmoule
	Did Acquaintances Old Acquaintance	Manha
	Paper Doll People Will Say We're In Love—*Oklahoma'	. Marks
	People will say we're in Love— Oklahoma	Crawlord
	Shoo Shoo Baby Three Cheers For Boys'	.Leeus
	Someone to Love Speak Low—*'One Touch of Vehus'	Character
	Speak Low-"One Touch of Venus"	.Chappen
	Star Eyes- 'I Dood It'	Peist
	When They Ask About You	Bernn
	White Christmas— Holiday Inn'	Bernn
	MOST PLAYED AFTER FIRST 25	THE REAL PROPERTY.
	Don't Believe Everything Dream- 'Around World'	Robbins
	Holiday For Strings	BVC
	Surrey With Fringe on Top-"Oklahoma"	.Crawford
	Have I Staved Away Too Long?	Famous
	Oh. What a Beautiful Morning-"Oklahoma"	Crawford
	They're Either Too Young Too Old 'laicky Stars'	Witmark
	Music Stopped—t'Higher and Higher'	Robbins
	Poinciana	. Marks
	Put Your Arms Around Me-+'Coney Island'	.2Broadway
	Say a Prayer for Boys Over There- 'Hers to Hold'	
	Candlelight and Wine- 'Around the World'	Miller
	My First Love	Dorsey
	Winter Wonderland	BVC
	I Dug a Ditch-i Thousands Cheer	Feist
Ġ	In the Blue of Evening	Shapiro
	Paducah—i'Gang's All Here'	Triangle
	Santa Claus Is Coming to Town	Feist
	Sunday, Monday or Always-t'Dixie'	Mayfair
	The Dreamer-+ Thank Lucky Stars'	Harms
	Sunday, Monday or Always—†Dixie The Dreamer—†Thank Lucky Stars' What Do You Do In the Infantry.	.Saunders
	Oklahoma-*'Oklahoma'	Crawford :
	Slip of the Lip	Tempo
	Victory Polka	.Chappell
	Titles, a case 1111	COLUMN STATES

+ Filmusical. • Legit musical. N. Y. DRAFT BD. DENIES LEINSDORF APPEAL

Cleveland, Dec. 22.
Directors of the Musical Arts Association, sponsor of the Cleveland Orchestra, were notified their appeal that Erich Leinsdorf, conductor Orchestra, were nothing them appeal that Errel Technisord, condustor of the orchestra, be grained an extended and the content of the content

Hart Concert to Benefit Master Records, Inc.

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A Lorenz Nart concert will be given at the Broadway theates, New-York, early in March, with the protoric early in March, with the protoric control of the Committee of the Committee of the American Theatre wing headed-bylocar Hammerstein. 2d, will cospousor the tribute along with
Committee handling details are

ASCAP.

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Richard Rodgers, Howard Dietz, Ray
Henderson and Bert Shefter.

Murray Lazar Leaving Santly-Joy on Coast

Murray Lazar is winding up Jan.

1 as professional manager for Sant1y-Joy on the Coast. Lazar's resignation came after three years in the
job. He originally came here from
New York on a one-year deal.

His future plans aren't set.

Dave Bernie, brother of Ben Bernie, now heading the Coast office of Santly-Joy.

Disc Co.'s Music Pub Now Capital Songs, Inc.

New music firm recently set up with Mickey Goldsen at its head, backed by Capitol Record executives, has finally been officially named Capitol Songs, Inc., after, weeks of trying different titles, all of which were found to be in use. Ostificially named to be in use.

Music.

Johnny Mercer, songwriter, Buddy
DeSylva, Paramount Pictures' execcutive producer, and Glemi-Wailichs, all owners of Capito Records,
are financing the new music firm.

Marion Sunshine Vs. Southern Trail Jan. 4

Southern Trail Jan. 4. Motion for summary judgment brought by Marion Sunshine against southern Music for alleged breach of for 1812 of the southern Music for alleged breach of for 1821. Green Eyes, will be dried to the southern
ites stopped.
Southern claims that she wrote
Dream Eyes, not Green Eyes, stating that latter tune was written by
two Latin-American writers. Miss
Sunstine asis over \$8,000, representing back royalties from 1941 to date;

New Publishing Firm

New Publishing Firm
Albany, Dec. 21.
Piccadilly Publishing Co. has been
chartered to conduct a business in
the printing and publishing of music in New York. Capital stock is
\$20,000, \$50 par value,
Directors are: Mick D'Amieo,
Directors are: Mick D'Amieo,
Maisto, Nathan Shapiro of N. X. was
falling attorped.

New Xmas Spirit

Philadelphia, Dec. 21. If Santa Claus little elves de-cide to play any Yuletide music here this season they'd better be holding Local 77 cards.

The union ruled that any toolles by the little helpers of Kris Kringle at the local department stores must be paid off on union scale—and to union men.

T. DORSEY AGAIN SWITCHES VOCALISTS

Teddy Walters and Tommy Dorsey's orchestra severed connections last week after a dispute over a contract, and Jimmy Cook, whom Dorsey had farmed out to WAAT, Jersey City, recently, for experience, returned to the band. Walters took over Cooks' spot as vocalist with Dorsey several weeks ago.

Dorsey several weeks age.

Dispute is said to have arisen when Jack Gale, Walters' manager, so the property of opens at the Paramount theatre, N. Y., today (Wednesday), then goes to the Coast for film work. He also starts a five-a-week broadcast series for Ford, Jan. 10, on the Blue.

Songwriters Going On Overseas Tours

Newest addition to USO per-formers going overseas to help en-tertain the troops are songwriters who'll put on one-man shows, also staging community sings.

Al Goodheart, who has been tour-ing camps throughout merity with ability of the control of the with ability of the control of the property of the control of the control of the songwriter skedded to go off-shops.

Levy Merging His Six Firms Under Leeds Tag

Lou Levy is in the process of con-solidating all his music firms under the one firm name of increase his availability rating at ASCAP. Levy has six firms all told, including the Leeds catalog. The others, all ac-quired since he set up Leeds, are Olman Music, Kaycer, Jenkins, Con-solidated and webseth.

solidated and Wabash.
Levy is currently on his way to
the Coast to join the Andrews Sisters, whom he manages. Trio, will
return to picture-making for Universal after the first of the year.
They are currently on a theatre tour.

Holst Promoting

In IOIST Fromouning
Ernie Holst Crochestra leader at the Riobamba, N. Y., is going into onenight operation at Irvington, N. J., next week. He has the Eliss Club
Abbero-on-Lonza for every "Wednesday night and begins a weekly policy operation Dec. 29 with Jan Sayltis or Charles of the Saylting of the Sayl

New Music Pubs

Albany, Dec. 21.
Frank Silver Music Publishers, the has been chartered to conduct a music publishing bit in New York. Capital stock is 100 shares no par volus.

Attorneys Fred G. Moritt and Mor-ris Eisenstein are two of the direc-tors and filing attorneys. Moritt is also an assemblyman from a Brook-lyn district.

On the Upbeat

Sonny Dunham orchestra will cut four sides for Eli Oberstein's Hi label tomorrow (Thurs.) in N. Y Dunham opened at New Yorker hotel last week.

Teddy Powell drew 4-F draft clas-sification last week in Hollywood. Band is at Palladium Ballroom there. Benny Goodman's orchestra will be featured in 'The Bandwagon' at 20th-Fox.

Skip Nelson, formerly with Tommy Dorsey, now warbling with Guy Lembardo.

Inside Stuff—Music

Pre-judging committee handling entries in the NBC-National Federation of Music Clubs patriotic song contest is struggling with more than 8,000 entries received in the competition that closed Oct. St. As spon as soores are sorted and studied, Judges Leopold Sukowisti, Lawrence Theorem and the control of the structure of the control of

Glenn Bannerman, of Canadian Association of Brondcasters, and Mcrritt Tomphias, of Broadcast Music, Inc., deny any BMI connection with request for additional money from Canadian music users by the American Per-torming Rights Society. Tompkins points out that the contract between BMI and APRIS specifically exclused Canadian rights, while the CAB prex and general manager states that the fling of a tariff by APRIS in Canada in no way affects the position of BMI in the Domnhion.

Louart Bernstein, Syven-old nanisant conductor of the N. Y. Phillammonic, who made the headthear recently when, he stepped in and subbed for an alling Bruno Waller, is under contract to Music Publishers Holding Corp. Bernstein signed with the Warners' group last April, with firm already putting out serious works of the conductor. Publishers lave also authentical five of his popt times to film studies.

Add Odd Midstyrin: Broadway trivia: from the new Lee, Fests offices ou can throw a peant or a glance on the roof of Lindy. It you throw the glance you'll see a farmer's old-fashioned tredle grindstone standing forgotten and alone on the joint where tarmers seldom set. Why it's there, and who left it, makes for fascinating thinking, if you're weary of thinking about more important things.

Soily Loft's exit from Mutual Music Society recently was not difficult for the reason that he had not yet put up cash to buy into the firm. He apparently was in on a trial basis and, had he decided to stick, he would have posted \$16,000 for a part interest, Capt Glenn Miller is a major stockholder in Mutual.

10 Best Sellers on Coin-Machines

(Records below are grabbing most nickels this week in jukebours throughout the country as reported by operators to Variety. Names of most country to the property of the prope

l. Pistol Packin' Mama (20) (Morris)	Bing CrosbyDecca
2. People Will Say (14) (Crawford)	Bing Crosby Decca Frank Sinatra Columbia
3. Beautiful Morning (20) (Crawford)	Frank Sinatra Columbia Bing Crosby Decca
. Victory Polka (6) (Chappell)	Andrews-Crosby Decca
5. My Heart Tells Me (4) (BVC)	
6. For First Time (4) (Shapiro)	
7. I'll Be Home Xmas (2) (Melrose)	
	Bing CrosbyDecca Frank Sinatra Columbia
	Dick KuhnDecea Dick HaymesDecca
0. They're Either Too Young (2) (Witmark)	Jimmy Dorsey Decca Jan Garber
OTHER FAVOR	ITES

Canada recordo do directio	
Shoo-Shoo Baby (Leeds)	Andrews Sisters Decca
Dido Dido Day (Beca)	Ella Mae Morse Capitol
White Xmas (Berlin)	Bing Crosby Decca
Paper Doll (27) (Mills)	Mills Bros Decca
How Sweet You Are (Remick)	Kay ArmenDecca
Cuddle Up Closer (Harms)	Kay ArmenDecca
Boogle-Woogle	, Tommy Dorsey

Music Notes

Michel Michelet and C. H. Wheeler write the title song for Andrew cleffed 'Oh, Mabel' as theme song Stone's Sensations of 1944. 'Gor Edward Small's picture, 'Up in Mabel's Room.'

Ferde Grote to compose back-Ferde Grofe to compose back-ground music for 'Minstrel Man' at PRC,

Franz Waxman writing an orig-inal score for 'The Horn Blows at Midnight,' Jack Benny picture at Warners

Lennie Hayton turned in com-leted score for 'Meet the People' at Henry Cewell, composer, joined the OWI in New York recently. He's working on longhair music for over-seas broadcasts.

Lew Pollack and Mort Greene cleffed 'Ready, Aim, Kiss,' 'Hall and Fasewell,' 'Apple Blossoms in the Rain,' 'Sloux City Sue' and 'Over the Waves' for 'Seven Days Ashore at RKO.

Arturo Somohano, Puerto Rican composer, is currently in New York preparing a Pan American concert to feature his own compositions.

Kim Gamen and Walter Kent contributed 'The Shadow Serenade' to Charles R. Rogers' 'Song of the Open Road.' Robbius putting out a folio of the late Lorenz Hart's lyrics that he did for Metro's 'Merry Widow.' 'Judy Caneva Song Book,' containing 16 numbers, will be issued Jan. 3 by Western Music Publishing Co.

Edward Ward composing the score for 'Her Primitive Man' at Universal.

Leigh Harline is composing back-ground music for Tender Comrade at RKO. Kurt Weil and Ira Gershwin col-laborating on tunes for 'Where Do We Go From Here?' at 20th-Fox. David Snell composing the score for 'And; Hardy's Blonde Trouble' at Metro.

Edward Cherkese and Edward Kay cleffing the theme song for Trail of the Yukon' at Monogram.

Daniele Amfitheatrof composing background music for 'Days of Glory' at RKO. Hans Salter writing backgro

Harry Tobias and Al Sherman laborating on score for The Merry necked in at General Service to Monahans' at Universal.

Record \$400.000 1943 Profit For Robbins' 'Big 3'

A record for the Big Three-Jack Robbins has incorporated his Feist, Miller and Robbins Music Corps.-is the \$400,000 net profit established by the three companies on a \$1,750,000 gross music business in 1943. While a record for the trio, Robbins alone, in the halcyon 1928

in 1943. While a record for the trio, grobbin alone, in the haloyon 1928 days of the pioneer tallers, when Meto first bought 31%, into 2000-2000 and the pioneer tallers, the property of the

HEIDT SUSPENDS HIS **ALLIED MUSIC FIRM**

ALLIED MUSIC FIRM
Allied Music, publishing firm established and owned by band-leader Horace Heidi, shuttered last week after approximately six months of existence. Hal Fein, professional means telenilely known, but if k arpeted he will return to the start before Heidi went also before heidight, was owned by which originally was owned by the definition of the duration.

Mrs. Fisher Cuts Claim Vs. Mills to 12 Songs An amended complaint was filed

by Mrs. Anne Fisher, widow of Fred Fisher, in the Fisher Music vs. Mills Music case last week in N. Y. supreme court. The original claim was for \$85000, involving royalties on 17 songs that Mrs. Fisher claims Mills owes her, but the amended \$850,000. Mrs. Fisher claims that ûnder an agreement between Mills and Fisher, involving 12 songs that Fisher vorte with other writers, he was to get one-third of all royalties from Mills. She states that from time to royalties were never forthcoming.

Motion by Mills for a dismissal of the complaint, on the grounds that court has no jurisdiction, will be heard Jan. 4. Music case last week in N. Y.

Romberg's D. C. Concert Marred When Musicians' Instruments Don't Arrive

Instruments Don't Arrive
Washington, Dec. 21.

First mishap in the 270 concerts given by Sigmund Romberg and his concert orchest's occurred here Dec. 11.

It is a support of the support

15 Best Song Sellers

(Week Ending Dec. 18)

BBC Lifts Ban On 'Paper Doll'

Restrictions by BBC against broadcast performances of were lifted last week (15), with no explanations given as to why the

Concerts Soft Snap to Draper-Adler Despite Some Chiseling Promoters

World Broadcasting studios is the site now of these musicomedy wax-ings, rather than Decea's own labs.

VanHeusen, Burke Will License Songs Outside

and a second with the second way that the second way findly closed. Previously reported that Paper Doll was not considered complimentary to Bittish womanhood.

Repeated, requiest by American servicemen who received Paper IDDI in 'nik this' sent from home are credited by some sources for official action making an home are credited by some sources for making and the second was a summer of the secon **ASCAP**; Suing Society

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Decca Musical Albums

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as Draper must rehearse three and four hours ahead of time with Ar-thur Ferrante, their regular accom-panist, in order to get accustomed to dancing on this or that particular

3 TOP SONGWRITERS DIE WITHIN WEEK

The deaths in New York Saturday (18) of Joseph McCarthy and George Whiting removed from the Broad-way scene the lyric writers of some of this century's most popular song hits. McCarthy's 'Albee Blue Gown' and Whiting's 'My Blue Heaven' were obtatanding hit paraders' pro-readed asys and still retain popu-pre-radio days and still retain popu-

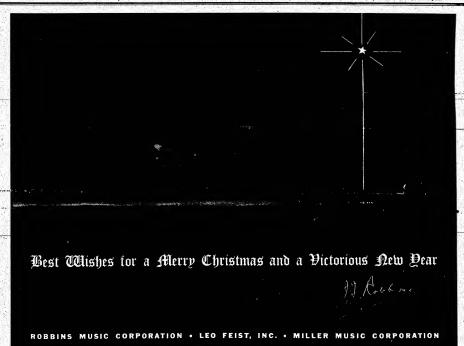
larity.
Thomas 'Fats' Waller's death last also decimated the songwriter Complete details are unde

obits.

A memorial musical tribute to Fats

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Waller was presented last night
(Tuesday) at Cafe Society Down-town, N. Y. WNEW aired a portion
of the tribute at 10:35 p.m.



Minneapolis Has a Squawk On Town's Paucity of Stage Shows

Present dearth of stage shows here promises to continue through 1944. AGVA to Nix Folies those in the know say. Twin Cities, with their combined population of nearly 800,000, will be almost en-tirely dependent upon roadshow burlesque at the Hirsch-Katz Alvin theatre, Minneapolis, for their stage fore it's indicated.

The Orpheum is using fewer stage shows, with pictures, in its history, and the reason, it's explained, is because practically nothing is being submitted. House had only one show this month and will have only one in January. Beyond that there's nothing as yet. November was without a single show.

out a single show. There have been only two legiti-mate attractions at the Lyceum here since the season opened and only five plays have been set in so far for the balance of the 193-44 season, four of them for January, all repeats or revivals. All this is in the face of the biggest business here since of the 1928 born period. The Alvin, with its butleeque roadshows, sailed patter a 22-week-or-langer; season.

Arlene Day, singer, leaving Marty Schramm outfit at Hotel Henry, Pittsburgh, to join Tommy Carlyn when latter's band opens Friday (24) at Bill Green's Casino, Pitt.

Reopening Unless Pay 'Security' Is Put Up

The question of 'substantial' security, to insure performer salaries, is the snag confronting Arthur Lesser, of the Folies Bergerc, New York nitery in the Hotel Edison, in his planned reopening this week. The advance pay has been asked by the American Guild of Variety Artists, which says that Lesser is currently in arrears on other talent

The nitery has been closed for the past few days because of the pre-Christmas slack and, according to Lesser, to relearse the new show, which is due to open tomorrow (Thursday). Certain creditor diffi-culties that Lesser is reported to have had are now ironed out, the boniface reports.

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He and Clifford C. Fischer opened
the spot last fall and from the start
if ared poorty, including cooling
plain mishaps, etc. Fischer, who
owns the FB title, bowed out under
a special arrangement, and Lesser
took over solo. Fischer's own Folies
Bergere' just opened at Winterland
(arena) in Frisco and is doing well.

VARIETY John Harris Heads New Ice Show Group To Produce New Troupe

John Harris, Pittsburgh showman, is heading a new corporation which plans to produce a third ice show at a cost of \$150,000 to \$200,000 There are currently two blade rnere are currently two blade ex-travaganzas on the road, Ice-Ca-pades and Ice Folles, in addition to the Sonja Henie production which goes into only four cities (New York, Chicago, Detroit and Indianapolis).

Chicago, Detroit and Indianapoiss.

Some 14 arenas are reported involved in the new venture, called
Arena Productions, Inc., with Harris at a meeting in New York last
week given authority to proceed with
the Pennsylvania incorporation.

Arena Managers Assn., of which George Tyson is managing director, owns the 'Ice-Capades.' Ownership owns the Tce-Capades. Ownership of the proposed new ice show will be held by practically the same group. Harris is president of the

Cleve. Date Held Up

Cleveland, Dec. 21. Cleveland, Dec. 21.
Transportation strike in New Orleans held up costumes and baggage
of Everett McGowan and Ruth Mack,
forcing 'Hotel Statler to postpone
opening of their tabbed 'International Ice Revue' in Terrace Room
from last Thursday (16) to tonight
(21).

Dorothy Lewis' ice-skating units skedded to close Wednesday (15), was able to hold over five extra days.

Will Rogers

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but that will be a routine matter. New appropriations announced were a \$75,000 bequest to Texas A. & College for Scholarships to hindi-less that the control of the contr

three states.

The Commission also appropriated \$25,000 to the Will Rogers' Memorial Commission, State of Oklahoma, to be spent at the Claremore Memorial, as directed by Mrs. Rogers: Previously the Commission had given another \$25,000 to the Oklahoma Commission, and also \$25,000 to the Murrow Indian Orphan Home in Oklahoma Commission, and also \$25,000 to the Murrow Indian Orphan Home in Oklahoma Commission, and also \$25,000 to the Murrow Indian Orphan Home in Oklahoma Commission.

oma.
"It is safe to say," concluded Jones' statement, 'that no private citizen was ever more universally loved than Will Rogers."

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MAJOR CLARK ROBINSON, Heller Singing Overseas 47. KILLED IN AIR CRASH

Major Clark Robinson, in the Army Air Forces for more than a year, was killed Dec. 12 in a plane crash in Asam, India, near the Burma border. Thus ended, at 47, the career of one of the most color-ful men in the stage production end

of show bir.

Robinson was probably at the height of his show biz sfature when issociated with S.L. (Roby). Rohn-fill and the state of
B'klyn Nitery AGVA-ed

D Myll Millety Auth-red The New York local of the Amer-ican Guild, of Variety Artists has percled the Jinx Club, Brooklyn. Agreement calls for the same terms Embassy. Brooklyn, \$50 for princi-pals and \$35 for the chorus. In New Jersey, AGVA has pulled two acts, Doris Ruby and Betty Braden, etc., out of the High Hal, Braden, the Company of the Company of the hundrif list. Also on the hundrif list are the Satch and Satchel team,

untair list. Also on the untair list are the Satch and Satchel team, playing the High Hat. Satchel's violation is held to be particularly severe in as much as he not only played an 'unfair' spot, but he also booked acts into the nitery.

Added Attractions Out

Sidestreet- barrooms that employ singing walters, and solo pianists, etc., will bave to get rid of the added attractions under the new 20% tax law, or fold up. Such entertainment classes these spots as cabarets and crasses these spots as caparets and in that category they would be forced to increase tabs to the limit of the law in spite of the fact all liquor traffic is over the bar.

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Strame Lake, Dec. 21.

Wishing bands cheered up patients in sanaforlums and hoppilals here are also as a second of the control of the contro By Happy Benway

Chuck Faulkner and the Holly-wood Canteen orchestra checked in at General Service for the Charles R. Rogers film, 'Song of the Open Road.'

For Servicemen, Draft Bd. Seen Extending Deferment

Pittsburgh, Dec. 21.
Little Jackie Heller's local draft

Ittiburgh, Dec. 21.

Littiburgh, Dec. 22.

L and the plane player, George Finkel-berg continued into the South Pa-cific battle zones.

His draft board is expected to ex-tend the deferment in absentia.

GEN'L MOTORS SHOW TERMINATES LONG TOUR

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The Only the Baghaning, the General Motors-sponsored: show produced by Soundmasters, Inc., closed in Lansing, Mich., on Friday (17), after a tour of more than 30 cities in which Gal factories are ideal in which Gal factories are ideal in the Company or its contractors, fasted its tour in the middle of June in Baltimore. Admist was free.

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Many Deter Barrey, was designed as a morale-builder in siding to speed up the was effort. Pro-cast included Charles Althorf. Al Lytell, Lee Morrow, Chyde Venux, George Dill, George Spalding and John Adair.

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in town.

Miami Nixes Felshin, Brooks Nitery License

Miami Beach, Dec. 21. The Miami Beach city council has revoked the liquor license for Ciro's cheduled to open this week, because of the police records of the licenseholders, Alvin Felshin and Jerry Brooks. A temporary license had been issued recently to Felshin to operate at the old Nut Club loca-

tion. "Felshins attorney admitted to the council that Felshin had been fined \$2500 and given a six-month probation of the six-month probation of the six-month probation of the six-month of the to five members of the American

York.

According to FBI reports, Felshin and Brooks operated the Yacit Club in N. Y., and centrolled: the Famous Door there. FBI reports also disclose that Felshin pleeded gully to all interest of the Felshin pleeded gully to all interest of the truthful amusement tax remains amounting to \$2,700. Felshin was sentenced on Aug. 15, 1941, and help right fully license was recoked by the New York Alcohol Beverage. Comprid Beard.

Bill Jordan Placed On AGVA Unfair List

Miami Beach, Dec. 21. Arthur Kaye, American Guild of ariety Artists v.p., has placed enry M. Neyle, manager of Bill-ordan's Bar of Music, on the unfair list for latter's failure to sign closedlist for latter's failure to sign closed-shop agreement with AGVA. There is no dispute between AGVA and the Bar of Music as far as working con-ditions are concerned.

Kaye advised members of AGVA now employed at the Bar of Music to cease work there by Dec. 17.

CAPPELLA PATRICIA

of this or any other year. The girl is good hooking and Cappella comes through with some of the best lifts of any due in the busi-ness—Bob Fredericks.

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Sinatra's 38G Pitt Gross A New Record After Slow First Half; Flu a Factor

Pittsburgh, Dec. 21.

Heavy business last three days of
his engagement at Stanley enabled
Frank Sinatra to wind up with

Hetaby business last three days of his engagement at Sanley; enabled the engagement at Sanley; enabled acround slabool for himself as the result of a \$30,000 gross last week. The sanley of his sensational building and take (\$50,000) the week before in Beston, for shinds missional building and take (\$50,000) the week before in Beston, for shinds missional building and threatened school suspensions, for Sinatra fans, ducking classes didn't help the bo, here. The sanley is sanley that he'd do between \$45,000 and \$50,000, and the boys were laughing at those squeamish enough to supporting day and half boiless, followed by an ordinary Saturday and special Sunday performance that didn't even go clean downstairs, You the WB. office. The seven scheduled shows a day dropped to six and then for the WB. office. The seven scheduled shows a day dropped to six and then for the WB. office. The seven scheduled shows a day dropped to six and then for the WB. office. The seven scheduled shows a day dropped to six and then for the wBB. office. The seven scheduled shows a day dropped to six and then for the wBB. office. The seven scheduled shows a day dropped to six and then for the wBB. office. The seven should be ween got the seven should be ween got the seven should be ween got the seven should be seven shou

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Philadelphia, Dec. 27.
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Special Henie Show For Servicemen in Chi

Chicago, Dec. 21.

A special performance for servicemen will be given at the Stadium here by Sonja Henie and her Hollywood Ice Revue this Friday night

Show opens to the public the fol-



DIOSA COSTELLO Queen of the Latin Bombshells!

Queen of the Latin Bombshells!
Signed to star in Paul Small's new
revue, "Curtain Time," opening Dec
27 in San Francisco!
Just broke all records at Havana
Madrid, New York's 10p Latin-

American nitery A consistent aftraction with plenty of four-figure class!

Adults Are Worst Vandals in Cafes

Minneapolis, Dec. 21.
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Detroit Groups Move To Protest Measure On 20% Nitery Tax

Detroit, Dec. 21.
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Belle Baker Forced To **Ouit Chi Cafe Via Illness**

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Chicago, Doc. 21.

Belle Baker was forced to withdraw from the Cabana show lastweek due to illness. Opening of the
club was postponed for several days
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when she contracted flu on the footpoors she got out of a sick feet and
appeared before she had fully recovered. Result was that she's nowconfined to her hotel. On top' of
that the accompanies, Eddle Hatrack,
in Trenton, N. J.

Jack Killy, of the Oklahoms' cast
at the Erlanger theatre, and Dick
Buckley have been substituting for
the ailing Miss Baket; while Crudot
dically searches for another headlines.

Boston Niteries Can Have Their Pie But Can't Be Choosey on Who'll Eat It

Miami Influx Extends Liquor Sale An Hour

Liquor Sale An Hour Miami, Dec, 21. Influx of winter visitors credited for city commission's action. Wednesday (15) .in extending sales period for hard liquic dispenses by one hour. New hours will remain frects timil May open until 1 a. m. excitage after the man of the man o

Deals for New Year's Eve in L.A. Scaled Down From \$16.08

Los Angeles, Dec. 21. New Year's Eve tariff in the better in previous years despite plenitude spending coin, dearth of likker and hard-to-get viands. Most of the grottoes are featuring 'deals,' in which cover, eats and favors are in-cluded in the over-all tap.

Top coin is being asked by Ambassador hotel's Cocoanut Grove, where Freddy Martin's band holds forth without benefit of floor show forth without benefit of floor show. For \$16.08 there's also a breakfast tossed in additional to what the other spois have to offer. Bilmore Bowl is getting \$13.46. Trocadero \$12.50. Slapsy Maxies \$12, Palladium dancery \$8.30, Hollywood Casino \$10. Chartle Foy's \$5.50, Valey Lodge \$10, Casa Manana \$7.50, Pirates Den \$7.50.

Reservations are light but a com-plete sellout all around is antici-pated.

Detroit Raps Inflation

Detroit, Dec. 21. Detroit, Dec. 21.

There must not be any inflation in the New Year's celebration here, nitery operators were warned last week by the OPA. While several out: State cities have been permitted a 10% increase to cover the cost of special shows, the scores of niteries here will be held to last year's prices.

In fact, a warning was put out that if anyone paid more this sea-son than a year ago, the nitery owner would be liable for criminal pro-ceedings and triple damages—three times the amount of the overcharge.

Mostel's Roxy Date

Zero Mostel goes into the Roxy theatre, N. Y., first week in March, for two weeks. It's the comedian's first engagement since leaving the Army on a medical release. He's on the same bill with Count Basie's

Mostel is to get \$3,000 per.

Hub restaurants, taverns and niteries can have their ple, but they can't be choosey who eats it.

The ruling came from the cify li

censing board last week following acomplaint lodged by a patron who ordered a piece of apple pie in a tavern and was refused it on the grounds that he was a stranger. The pie was being saved for regulars.

pie was being saved, for 'regulars'.

Himself a restaurant operator, the
fellow knew his statutes concerning
them and cited an old city law which
provides a fine up to \$50 in any case
where a common victualler refuses
to supply food to a 'stranger or
traveler'.

The board dug about in its files and admitted that such a law was indeed inscribed therein. Its decision ruice that twerns, restaurants and other common victuallers, which

The board took no action against The board took no action against the tavern proprietor, who claimed he believed he had the right, under OPA regulations, to serve pies only to those who bought full meals. The board's implication however, was that subsequent complaints will be dealt with according to the rules.

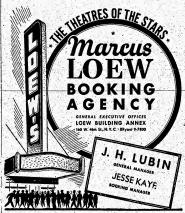
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In 1903 Theatre Fire Chicago, Dec. 21.
Plans were completed last week by a committee of the Julion Chamber and the Chicago, Dec. 21.
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Iroquois was located on the site now occupied by the Oriental theatre. Following the catastrophe, sweeping safety laws were enacted throughout the country.



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Variety Bills

WEEK OF DECEMBER 24

Numerals in connection with bills below indicate show, whether full or split week.

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Lew Pollack and Herman Ruby cleffers of 'Daughter of Mademoj-selle from Armentieres,' sold publi-cation rights to Pyramid Music Co.

Night Club Reviews

Panther Room, Chi (SHERMAN HOTEL) Johnny Long's Orch (14) with Puti Dugan, Gene Williams, Dave Lambert, Jack Shea, Robert Crum, Collage Inn Models (7); minimum 8,125-8220.

Copacabana, N. Y.

Jimmy Durente, Merry Raje & Midd. Kerne Cooper, Larry Brockst Medical Control of Part of the Medical Control of Part o

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House Reviews

National, L'ville National, L'ville and please 'em, Prof. Cheer, introd as the man 'Ripley Wouldn't Believe,' a character with a dead pan, plays the musical saw, and other instruction of the particular of the particular on his cranking with a pair of wooden silcks, to bring forth tones faintly resembling a xylophone.

Sophie Parker, hetty blues singer, has some crostalk with Mered arent heremer, followed by a couple pops, Mild response.

her weight, then goes into a Western unimer, followed by a couple pops.

Meroff has the various side-shown the characters on and off during scenes, working stooges from boxes, and format of Meroff's show is an obvious copy of the 'O & J' routing, and format of Meroff's show is an obvious copy of the 'O & J' routing, y resemblance must be purely takent. One of the bits is the told burley water squitting business, with the gag line 'Can I' have it now?' That greatly a, and on top of that it's much too heavy on the blue side for his house.

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Business light at first show Saturday (18).

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Earle, Wash.
Washington, Dec. 17.
Chester Dolphin, Carole King, the
Kemmys, Jogoe Romero, Rozyettes,
Jo Lombard's Orch; Northern Pursuit' (WB).

A show thoroughly in the holiday mood, dressed up with tinsel and spangles, trimmed with Kris Kringle music, adding up to 38 minutes of sparkle and jingle bells entertain-ment.

sparkle and jingle belle entertain-Opens with 10 Lombard's Santa Claus overture with the little blind rif, Jayee Romero, coming through the budgeseers of the little blind setting of the Wise Men following the star, with stained glass church win-tage to dictook Elleen Ritter in a monster create, garbed 4n paismas and waiting for Santa Claus. Per-with bely of dolls, used in dascing number.

mits the entrance of the ruoyeums, with bevy of dolls, used in dancing, with the work of dolls, used in dancing. A trick jack in the box releases the Emmys for a round of burleague adagic, reminding of Joe and Jane Schott of the state of t

Oriental, Chi
Dorothy Donegan, Russ Miller &
Arlene, Anita O'Day, Coley Worth
& Marcia, Rich & Gibson; 'The Awful
Truth' (Col)

Dorothy Donegan, playing a return engagement, heads an interesting avaide bill this week. La Donegan, who in some 18 months rose from a planist in a State street cocktail founds at \$45 a week to a spot in found of the control of th

taverite here. Acts all play in front invertie here. Acts all play in front Lang.

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Miller the set cleke from start to finds. A hill.

Anila O'Day (New Acts) former from the finds of the finds

variations on Paderewski's 'Minuet, following with her own Piano Boogie' and 'Tea for Two' and closes with 'St. Louis Blues' to heavy palm whacking.

Stanley, Pitt

Charlie Barnet Orch (17), Lowc, Hite & Stanley, Buny, Briges, Har-riet Clark, Buddy De Franco, Dodo Maramosa Peanuts Holland; 'Cross of Lorraine' (M-C).

Week before Xmas is usually from humser. WB deluxer has turned to Lorraine' (M-Q), house has its best picture in a long time and the show the solid control of the solid control

Tower, K. C.
Kansas City, Dec. 17.

Jack Herbert, Barr & Estes, Barton
& Brady, Jack Sparks, Emma Lou
Luthy, Tower Orch (9) with Jack
Parks, 'Never a Dull Moment' (U)
and 'Here Comes Keïy' (Mono).

and Here Comes Kelly (Mono).
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is Emma Loui Latiny, who sings
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bines some novelty steps with mug-ging to good effect. The girl is a looker, and makes an effective foil for comedy business of her part-ner. Two bows as the drapes closed

House well filled when caught.

RKO, Boston

Boston, Dec. 17.

Jimmie Lunceford Orch (17)
Leon. Collins, Tina Dixon, Frank
Radcliffe, Mills Bros., 'Rookies in
Burma' (RKO).

. The Lunceford band and the Mills Brothers, as anchor men of this colored show, do an okay job of satisfying the customers despite a longish sagay stretch in the middle of the show. Biz is way off, too, evidently as a purely seasonal phenomenon.

of the show. Bit is way off, too, evidently, as a purely seasonal services was a purely seasonal seaso

Embassy, N. Y. (NEWSREELS)

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Cote to \$53,000 annually in commissions, others ranging up to \$100,000 and better with larger sources of falent.

Note: The continued of the continued of the continued to rely more on their castern offices for published material and plays. Thus, most desia, if submittice on the Coast, would be held up pending final consultation or company rens. When York pletter company rens.

Night Club Reviews

Panther Room, Chi

bottle marathon in which men drink a bottle of milk baby style, the win-ner being awarded a bottle of cham-pagne. Big hit. Morg.

Minn. Terrace, Mpls.

Minneapolis, Dec. 18.
Sinart & Lee, Juanita Rios, Selma
Dancers (6), Perry Martin Orch
(12); \$1.50-\$2.50 min.

assure to Lee, Justitu R.os, Selma (13); 8150-825 mt. Merits O'ro. (13); 8150-825 mt. Merits O

Monte Carle, N. Y. Dick Gasparre Orch (13) and Ralph Rotgers band (6) with Marga; \$2.50 minimum.

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Hollywood Casino

Joe De Rita, Lee Trent, Harry
Rose, Ray Parsons, Mimi Reed,
Yuette Dare, Ginger Fay, Darlene
Gardner, Dou Carper's Orch. (8);
admission 75c-\$1.

Owned by the Lucca boys, who operate several restaurants and night operate several restaurants and night superative several restaurants and night superative superative several points of the several but starts before it made a buck. Looks the teperation policy of near burley has tried colored shows and straight bunds but with each liad an early located near Sunset and Vine, with interies as opposition, it now draws more than its share with a minimum of napper, looks as if operation is

On paper, looks as it operation is not over \$3,000 weekly. With the present Hollywood crowds and a ca-

pacity of 1900, this is a pushover to push of 1900, this is a pushover to during the week with a two-bit hive on weekends. Uniform under is in one weekends. Uniform under is in one weekends. Uniform under is one weekends. Uniform under is one weekends. Uniform under is one weekends with foo be Rita, producer and size, is also on the case of the size of

4th War Loan Continued from page 4 =

meetings to line up the industry for the coming Fourth War Loan cam-

the coming Fourth War Loan compaign.

A coptest, with winners to be chosen for the 'Honored' Hundred,' was disclosed by Charles P. Skouras, general drive chairman for the industry. It will be open to every theatre manager in the U. S., Alaska and Hawaii and, it is hoped, will result in a record-breaking sale of 'E' series bonds, to realize the industry' awanten alogan of 'a bond for every

sait in a record-breating size of x section bends, to realize the industry section bends for every sait.

The 'Honored Hundred', actually 110, will be those who sell the most. Ye bonds in proportion to the humber of the hundred's constitution of awards will be as follower to champions for cities under \$,000 population; 10 for cities of \$-10,000; 10 in cities of 10-25500; 10 in cities of 10-25500; 10 in cities of 50-100, 11 in addition, one champion will be selected from each state, Alaska, and Hawaii.

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Peters and Engela Doop.

Uhl Confab
Al first of three regional conferences, scheduler to the first of the country preparatory to the film insularly participation in the fourth war loan campaign, John Balaban, head of the B & K theatre, yesterday applauded use of slogan Bond for Every Seat!, at confab at the Blackstone hotel.

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Speakers at yesterday's meeting included Chales P. Skouras, Rick Ricketson, B. V. Sturdavant, Francis Ramon, Robert Mochris, Jules Ruens and Jack Kirsch. Following mour Peisers, Andy Krappman and Fred Stein left for San Francisco-where another meeting takes place Dec. 23.

Dream Street Beat

(troadway Legit Lowdown)

Maire Domestic finally began calling in actors a few days ago. This time Mitton Berle will supervise the whole production himself. His Cheekmate goes into easting Jan 15. For Xmas Bill Robinson sent his friends this greeting. Try 487. Franche Larrimore put money into Andrew Rosenthal's Two Loves Have I. I'll 150 soon himself because T act Cheekmate November 150 soon himself because T act Cheek

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Kathym Dinham-has taken a pea's lease on wheensal rooms at Actore Church Ulvilion Church's on 48th and they are rebuilding for her some a control of the control

'VICTORY' P.A.'S DOUBLE INTO SHOW AS ACTORS

Five members of the publicity staff of Winged Victory, 44th Street, N.Y. are now required to double in the performance of Moss Hart's Army Air Corps drama. They appear as walkons in three scenes.

Lt. Col. Dudley S. Dean, show's ex-

LA Cob Dudley S. Den. show's ex-cettive director, opined that the de-partment might be overstaffed and on issued the walkon order despite the fact that the day walkon order despite the fact that the day of the second of the secnes. The press people were reliviant sections of the second of the second The publicity staff is getting out a non-page to the second of the second second of the sec

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Paul Moss Spiels To Mgrs. on Tix Gouging

Paul Moss, N. Y.'s commissioner of licenses, addressed 'a meeting yesterday (21) of legit theatre operators retrady (21) of legit theatre operators alleged tickets-gouging. In a letter to the showner, Moss had previously in imated that theatre licenses, were subject to cancellation but three was no charge that managers figured in agency ticket transactions that who lated the law

haled the law. Some webes, ago, Moss celled managers, and clubmen to his office and warned them ion excess prices exacted for tickets. Club people did not appear interested indicating that if members were willing to pay for good locations at the last innute, it was their own business. Arthur Lennon was called before the paying the control of the legit code egitorement business.

Current London Shows

London, Dec. 21.

'Acacia Avenue, Vaudeville.
'Are de Triemphe, Phoenix,
'Arenic and Old Lace,' Strand.
Claudia,' St. Martine.
'All Martine.' Strand.
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'The Fakh,' Apollo.'
'Goodnight Ladie,' Whitehall.'
Halfway to Heaven,' Prince.
'He Foolish But Fan, Coliscim,' It's Time Dance, Winter Garden.'
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'The Love Racket,' Victoria Palace.'
'There's Shall No Night,' Alowych.

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ASK JR. EQUITYITES IN SERVICE GET SR. RATING

At a quarterly meeting held by Equity last Friday (17) it was proposed that all junior members now in uniform be given senior status, What benefit such members would active win not apparent, except that they would have the privilege of voting. It was also proposed that all members in the services be exempt from payment of dues for one year after, the termination of the war. Present rule exempts all those in uniform from dues flashifty for the proposals will go before the council for final disposition and a report service at the next meeting. With Equity's dues collections off from mornal because of the number of the payment of the present of the counter of the present of What hanget such members would

FB Add to Jerry Rosen's **Duties: Now Casting Legit**

Jerry Rosen has been appointed to handle the newly-formed legit de-Monday (20) to aniwer charges of inadile the newly-farmed legit desselling lickets at more than the all partition at Frederick Bross agency, in the second that some overcharges had also handles the picture-easiling and control to the control of
WALTER VINCENT Gives

A History of An Actors Charity'

(Referring to 63 Years of the Actors Fund's Fine Service)

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Current Road Shows

(Dec. 22-Jan. 1)

Irish Rose' - Plymouth 'Abie's Irisl

Boston (22-1).

'Abie's Irish Rose (2d Co.)—Aud.,
Salina, Kans. (22); Kansas State
Normal, Topeka (24-25); Shrine
Mosque, Springfield, Mo. (26); Gity
Aud., St. Joseph, Mo. (27-28); Music
Hall, Kansas-Gity (29-1)e

'Adrich Family' — Lafayette, Deroit (27-1).

tunit (97-1)

'Arsenic and Old Lace' (2nd Co.)

"Memorial Aud., Louisville" (27-28);
Coliscum, Evansville, Ind. (29); English, Indianapolis (30-1).

nsn, inquanapotis (39-1).

'Blackouts of 1943' (vaude)—El Capitan, Hollywood (22-1).

'Blithe Spirit' — Studebaker, Chi-cago (27-1).

'Blossom Time' — Court Square, Springfield Mass. (22); His Majesty's, Montreal (25-1).

'Blossom Time' (2nd Co.) Forrest Philadelphia (27-1).

rnnadelphia (27:1).
'Gorn is Green'—Shrine Aud. Des Moines. Ia. (28)' Orpheum. Sloux City (27)', Coliseum. Sloux Falls. S. D. (28)', Lyceum. Minheapolis (30-1).

'Curtain Time' (yaude) — Aud., Fresno, Cal. (25) (premiere); Cur-ran, San Francisco (27-1).

'Doughgirls' (2nd Co.) — Colonial Boston (22-1).

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Good Night Ladies' - Blackstone,
Chiago (22-1).
Hecespades' - Boston Garden, Bostong Corporate - Boston Garden, Bostong Corporate - Pougaption (22-26).
Foreits, Baltimore (27-1).
Jane Eyer's Cantiol. Vakima.
Wash. (27): Wilma, Missoula, Mont.
Jane Tyer's Cantiol. (30-1).
Jane's - Davidson, Milwaukce (37-1).
Jane's - Davidson, Milwaukce (37-1).

'Junior Miss'—Geary, San Fran-cisco (27-1).

'Kiss and Tell' (2nd Co.)—Harris, Chicago (27-1).

'Kiss and Tell' (3rd Co.)—Locust,

Philadelphia (22-1).

'Kiss and Tell' (4th Co.)—Curran
San Francisco (22-25); Biltmore, Los

pam Franceso (122-20); Willmore, Los Angeles (27-1). Se Home' — Walnut, Philadelphia (122-25). — Walnut, Philadelphia (122-25). — Walnut, Marching Wild Johnsy—Fringer, Philadelphia (122-25). — We Haven (32-1) (premiere). — Mexican Hayride—Shuber, Bos-lon (24-1) (premiere). — We State: Elten-Lyo, Mexican Hayride—Shuber, Bos-lon (24-1) (premiere). — We State: Elten-Lyo, My State: Elten-Lyo, Williams, poor, Pa. (28). Rajah, Reading, Pa. (30): War Menorial Aud., Treaton (31-1). Angeles (27-1).

(30); War Memorial Aud., Trenton (31-1). 'Oktahoma' (2nd C5.) — Erlanger, Chicago (22-1). 'Over 21'—Wilbur, Boston (23-25); National, Washington (27-1). 'Patriots' — American, St. Louis (27-1).

Porgy and Bess'-Shrine Aud Oklahoma City (27-29): Convention Hall, Tulsa (30-31); Forum, Wichits

Ran, (1).

Sons o' Fun—Ca: , Detroit (22-1).

Sonth Pacific — Shubert. New
Haven (23-25) (premiere).

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(27-1).

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'Suds in Your Eye'—Wilbur, Boson (28-1). (premierc).

'Three's a Family' (2nd Co.)—Civic.

Chicago (25-1).

Tobacco Road' — Lafayette, De-troit (22-25); Cox. Cincinnati (27-1).

Tomorrow the World' (2nd Co.)— Selwyn, Chicago (22-1).

Without Love'—Geary, San Fran-cisco (22-25); Metropólitan, Seattle (28-1).

Inside Stuff—Legit

Histories Julia Lie and Life may a control policy by the the emphasis on the Oscar Hammerstein 2d mane, because it's policy not to mention the producer Hammerstein 2d mane, because it's policy not to mention the producer plant of the producer of the prod

Scheduled opening of new Ruth Chatterton play, 'A Lady Comes Home,' at Nixon theatre-in-Pittiburgh last Monday test week (13) was postponed for 28 hours because several members of the test were suffering from colds and hadn't time for sufficient dress-rehetering. Hundreds of ticketholders didn't know this until above showed up at the playhouse insamuent as post-ponement wasn't announced until couple of hours before curtain time. One woman, got how-tickets-exchanged-for-18-6 following-night-when, after the performance, a blackout occurred in Pitt that key patrons made unit a companion't, this is a hellung theatre. One night they won't let you in, and the next night they won't let you out.

Touring company of Life With Father bad a time for itself at South Bend, Ind., and so did the audience last Wednesday (15) because the bag-sage car wast loss ein router from Chiego. Performance did-not start until shortly after 1 am and rang down at 230. House had been filled and some 1300 perions remained. Between the time the audience filed into Market and the start of the case of the start of the case of the start of the case of the start of the case. Or will be foster, organist from WSRT; a male tin from the field toll Giver, and Lew Sawn, house electrician, who broke in as an entertainer. Production arrived at midnight. Quite a comparison with the start of the case of the start of the

There are two-room suites instead of single dressing rooms backstage at the Morozoo, N. Y., for each of the three players in Broadway's newest edith. The Voice of the Turtle Tastefully designed quarters for Margaret click. The Voice of the Turtle Tastefully designed quarters for Margaret click the Turtle Tastefully designed quarters for Margaret click the Turtle Tastefully and the Turtle Tastefull And the Turtle Tastefull And the Turtle Tastefull And the Turtle Tastefully and the Turtle Tastefull And the Turtle Tastefull And the Tur

A benefit performance in aid of the Police Athletic League was given at Madison Square Carden last Wednesday (13), it being the first such event for PAL It's alded to be an anual fature. One of the principal functions of PAL is mixing hids to enter athletic competitions. The Bert Lyfell was me, and because others stated could not appear because of illness, he was on the job, until 11:30. Show was handled by Bob Weilman, Paramount theatre, N. Y, managing director, and Marvin Schenck's bunch, who recently teamed in putting over the 'Night of Stars' benefit, also at the Garden.

Mike Todd has two checks which represent winning wagers but says he won't cash 'em' One is for \$50 from George S. Kaulman. It was part of what Todd describes as a parlay in connection with The Naked Genius,' which closed recently at the Plymouth, N. Y., after three and one-half

weeks. The other alleged non-bouncer is for \$25, from Sam Zolotow, drama reporter for the N. Y. Tinnes. It represents Todd's wining bet that 'The Skin of Our Teeth' would play into September on Broadway. Latter is the Bultzer prize winning play which lasted one-week-on-the-road-tin-Boston early this season)

Comedian who recently played a key city with a click musical incensed entire cast and theatre management when he complained bitterly about the complained by
One of Canada's wartine measures effective after Dec. Si limits the use of theatrical billboards. Only 'At-sneet billboard space may be used for any place charging admission, except on the premises where performances, are given.' Smaller sheets and tack cards are to be permitted only on the theatre property or in a public conveyance, thereby exempting street car ad gates, from the Tule. Theatrical paper taken into Canada calls for any other cards and converse of 3/3, New ban includes show, citcuses, bookey, fights and converse the card of t

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Listen, Professor? an adaptation by Peggy Phillips from the Ruissian original called 'Mashenka,' which opens at the Forrest, N. X., tonjekt the state of the control of the

V-shaped sign at 46th and Broadway, which had 'Something For the Boye' Ashira, N. M on one pared an The Natest Gentus' on the after, now has both sides exploiting Boyet. The Natest Gentus' on the after, pleted antill after it was decided to close, that show, withdrawn from the Plymouth recently after three and a half weeks. Sign was promptly blocked out after the show folded.

Allen J. Kearns and Bert Willcox have been staging shows for children at Macy's, N. Y. for some weeks. Both are legit actors, first named being especially well known in the past and formerly commanded a big salary in musicals. Klödie shows are 30-minute affairs. Kearns has withdrawn to play in stock.

2 New York Sessions Map Fight Vs. 20% Tax: Ask Aid From Patrons

Two gatherings of persons cond-neted with all fields in the legit theater were held last week with the objective of obtaining reconsideration by Congress of the admission text levy on tickets having been lifted from 19% to 29%. Showman regard that boost as unfair and likely to stranging the theater which has been going all-out in its varied war efforts. House Weys and bleam war of the strange of the strange of the mitted despite and the strange of the mitted declined to revise the per-centage despite appeals from Bread-way.

centage despite appeals from Broad-Over the eventural the hecama-house that overers will not com-mental than 10, which will give a working committee nearly a week more to get a planned protest cam-paign functioning. While details are still being worked out, it is proposed to ask patrons throughout the coun-ry to protest to their Congressmen and Senators. Appeals to the public will be made through—them pro-

and Sonators. Appeals to the public will be made through theather programs, posteards and apot radio. First meeting was held Friday. First meeting was held Friday. First meeting was held Friday from the manner of
Theatre Wing Ready To Back Camp Stock: Awaits Army Okay

American Theatre Wing is ready to wholly finance stock in Army camps but as yet has not been able to obtain a go-ahead order from Army heads. Limitation of stage lays in the camps by the USO is the principal reason for the Wing propose stock, which it is hoped would counterent some idea that mean in uniform prefer pictures and mean of the work camps but as yet has not been able

to six weeks, thereby indicating that a. considerable percentage of trainees prefer plays to a set diet of films. Heretofore plays have been slated for only one or two performances, when they should have remained for a week. Final say in those matters a week. Final say in those matters of the prefer perfectly the property of the pro

If the Wing plan eventuates it is hoped not only to plant stocks over here but in service quarters on the various war fronts.

ENGEL INSTALLED AS TREASURERS CLUB PREZ

Treasurers Club of America in-stalled Irving Engel, head of the Winter Garden, N. Y., boxoffice staff. as its president during the annual as as president during the annual dinner given at the Edison hotel Saturday night (18). He succeeded Allan J. Schnebbe, head of the club for seven years and a member of the organization 36 years. In recognition of his services to the club Schnebbe was given \$1,000 war bond.

Schneibe was given \$1,000 war bond. Former president Harry B. Nelmes was elected viee-president; Lep Solomon, treasurer; Thurber N. Wilkins, financial secretary; Hugh J. McCauley, recording sec. Five new members of the board are: Herman Lins, James N. Vincent, Lewis H. Barris, Charles R. Bowman and George A. Baldwin.

Palmerton's Chore
Guy Palmerton, legit stock producer-director, has gone to the Coast for a vacation and to complete a novel, "Goose Chase" (previously titled T Hope You Keep").

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VARIETY's

Post-War Show Busines. Number

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Gertie As 'Susan' Neat \$17,600 at \$1,65 Top In New York Civic Revival

New York Civic Revival
One week's revival of Susan and
New York Creation of Susan and
N. Y. S. City Center, formerly Mecca
Temple, was fairly successful. Gross
was over \$17.000 at \$1.36 top, ca \$26,000. Show was put on by John
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Lois Wilson Back in 'Miss' After Week's Illness

Portland, Ore., Dec. 21.

Lols Wilson, reported in Portland hospital ill with pneumonia, rejoined the cast of 'Junior Miss' here at the Auditorium Thursday night (16) af-

ter a week's illness.

Her understudy took
the Seattle engagement

Connelly on 'Chicken'

Marc Connelly has taken over the direction of the Edward Gross production, Chicken Every Sunday, for Coast some weeks ago. From the Coast some weeks ago. Philip and Julius Epstein have received a three-month leave of absence from Warners, where they're experience they are
B'way Theatre Muddle Clears

With 'Something for the Boys' leaving the Alvin, N. Y., for the road after another two weeks, and 'Jackpot' being booked into that spot, the booking muddle on Broadway, especially as applicable to musicals, is clearing.

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Broadhurst.
Understoot that 'Winged Victory' will remain at the 44th Street Into the spring, 'Rosalinda' having vacatied that house to accomodate the Army Air Corps play. Originally 'Victory' was slated for sight weeks but additional time has been arranged for the patriotic drams, and tickets for performances dated into March are slated to be put on sale soon.

'Sons' Chorine Injured In Shooting Accident

In Shooting Accident in the St. Louis, Dec 21.
Derothy Veronieu Langdon, inmember of the chorus in Olsen and
member of the chorus in Olsen and
suffered a painful guabet history
state week when the revue played a
one-week stand at the American thestate to a SBO house. As a gripper
for a sound effect, Miss Langdon indeverently stepped in front of the
weapon. The undding entered her
advartently stepped in front of the
weapon. The undding entered her
Barnes hospital, Miss Langdon in
recovering.
The audience was unaware of the
buildent until the show continued
without pause.

Severe Broadway Biz Drop Comes One Week Sooner Than Expected

EDWARD JOHNSON (Of the Met)

SEES A BIG FUTURE FOR OPERA'

nd even if he's only slightly prejudiced It's worthy reading in

VARIETY'S

Post-War Show Business Number

(38th Anniversary Edition)

New Opera Co. Demands Arbitration on Singer Who Ouit 'Rosalinda'

New Opera Co., producer of Rosa linda, at the 46th Street Theatre, N. Y., has demanded arbitration proceedings in an effort to force comedenne Virginia MacWatters to return to the show. Latter left the cast about Nov. 20 and has since been signed for the forthcoming musical,

Actress-singer is charged in the

Marianne."

Actress-singer is charged in the New Opers complaint with violation of her contract. She denies the secondary of the contract. She denies the secondary of the contract. She denies the secondary of the contract
Severe drop in attendance on Broadway last week came unex-pectedly, with Monday (18) dropping as much as 80% from the previous Monday. There was some recovery and some exceptions among the newer successes but a majority of attractions, including sturch hits, were socked to a greater extent than anticipated.

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The heavy decline came one week, and the sound of the sound of the whole the week which terminates with Christman, is likely to see better grosses, ticket sale for Friday and Saturday (24-25) being reported favorably. Some action of the sound of the sound of the sound the sound of the sound

uge to see allows stendance has been on the downgrade since hefere Thanksgiving though business has remained good. The great business attracted by the new smashes cannot be desired. Not all performances not be desired. Not all performance when the control of the performance of the control of the performance of the control of the performance when the control of the performance when the control of the performance when the performance is the performance of the performance when the performance is the performance of the performance of the performance when the performance is the performance of the per The run shows are those which suf-fered the most. Although this week is the slackest of the season, two new

is the slackest of the season, two new shows are taking a chance and bow-ing onto the list. Around the ticket agencies the slump is discounted as merely being seasonal. Brokers who are loaded with orders for the leaders are tak-ing it in stride, sure of big business after Christmas.

Equity Council Asks Subsidy Continuance As Aid to Living Costs

As Aid to Living Losts
Aching on appeals by pedition,
Equity's council has asked Congress
to continue the system of auksdies,
many actors fearing that otherwise
the cost of hiving will jump still
further. Contention is that if living
the content of the still property of the
terms will be nullified. Last year,
Equity sought an increase and the
War Labor Board okayed it, litting
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commodities and other expensu-tures.

There were more than 15 pelitions signed by players appearing on Broadway, and it's inderstood that the property of the property of the property dependent of the property of the property question of subsidies has been postponed until after Congress con-venes following its Christmas layoff.

'JOHNNY.' 'LADY HOME SCRATCH B'WAY DEBUTS

Booking changes on next week's Broadway premiere list were re-quired early this week when two of the three scheduled entrants sud-

denly cancelled.
CIO's 'Marching With Johnny' will
not come to N. Y. Civic Center, where net come to N. X. Chile Center, where it was due to start an engagement of four-or-more weeks next Wefnesday (19). 'A. Lady Comes Home,' due at the Cort, scratched the Broadway week. Both 'Ohonny' and 'Lady' are currently. in Philadelphia, winding up there Saturday (26) although the latter may get additional road time. South Pacific secured the Cort for survival being 'Doctors' Disagree,' Bjoo.

Bijou.

Johnny is said to represent an investment of more than \$50,000. Trouble with the revue was recently indicated when Philip Loeb quit the directorial post and joined the cast, Robert H. Gordon succeeding. Beatrice Kay has the leading femme

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Direction of K. Elmo Lowe Isn't yery helpful.
Curtain came down on first performance of Lady Comes Home during a blackout in the Pittsburgh streets. Some one who has a mails for drawing parallels might conceivably sees something darkly prophetic in that for the George Brandt production.

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Shows in Rehearsal

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Wallflower — Meyer Davis,
Mexican Hayride — Michael Todd,
Doctors Disagree — William B.
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'Suds in Your Eye'—Kay Brown, Jack Del Bondio. 'The Cherry Orehard' (revival)— Carly Wharton, Margaret Webster. 'My Sister Elleen' (road)—Max G

What a Life' (road)-Frank Mc-

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New Coast Group

Hollywood, Dec. 21.

New stage group, the Gate Theatre Studio, was formed here by Peter Godfrey. Warners director, who operated similar groups in Dublin and London before coming to Hollywood.

ca. embers act without pay under direction of Anita Bolster and Renee Godfrey, with Peter Godfrey as pro-ducer. First production is 'Maya,' authored by Simon Gantillon.

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MacArthur's Break to Press

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with the fact had to put their
stories through Naval censorship and,
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Those with the Army had their copy
censored and cleared through an advance Army base on New Guinea.

Stories started to come in Thurs-day morning, all slugged 'hold for release,' the first time any news of an invasion had been treated in this an invasion had been freated in this fashion. There was some confusion during the day, with AP stories out of New Guinea set, for release at 6:30 p.m. EWT, and UP and INS copy marked for 7:30 p.m. release.

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All stories sent by correspondents
with the fleet were marked for 7
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Some trade papers have long had Some trade papers have long had to refuse more subscribers. Practise of one of thom, Modorn Plastics, is to issue to those who want subscriptions miniature editions of the mag, saris ads. Idea is to keep prospects interested until such time as the paper situation will permit them to get the full-size publication.

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24% Newsprint, Cut in 44 Newspapers and magazines will be thinnic. In 1984 under a War Production Board order Issued Monday (20) which cut down the use of paper to the paper of the MPB Printing and Publishing Division, the 15th MR Bitter, director of the WPB Printing and Publishing Division, the 15th MR Bitter, director of the WPB Printing and Publishing Division, the 15th MR Bitter of the WPB Printing and Publishing Division, the 15th MR Bitter of the WPB Printing and Publishing and Printing and Publishing and

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Xmas. Jave Book Bit Big Christmas trade in Juve books is breaking all records, according to preliminary estimates by publishers, who 'report demands far exceeding apply. One of the control of the control of the sorting of the control of the control of the copies on two titles alone. Wartine bortage of two ja credited by many for the boom.

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Bernard Sobel's Third Editio

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Bernard Sobel's Handbook of the
Theatic has gone into its third edition, with the price upped to \$3.75,
although not revised or enlarged.
That means some 20,000 copies to
date, rather extraordinary for a volssteady growth into the libraries and
such, beside general consumption.

Time's Canadian Section
Canadian edition of Time is now
actually that, a department devote
to news of Canada having been
added last week, It's edited by
Robert T. Elson, Canadian newspaperman and air commentator.
Previously, Liberty was the only
American mag with news of Canada
in its Canadain edition.

Mex. Newsprint Stash

Mwx. Newprint: Stash ... Rationing of newsprint from 15 to 25% has gone into effect in Mexico City. With: 2-000000-population-city has nine daily newspapers. The order limits daily papers to a certain maximum number of page of aduly: cuts normal consumption of the control of

Seaver's Anthology
Edwin Seaver's Projected collection of new American writing 'Cross-Section,' is definitely set for spring publication by L. B. Fischer, Book will comprise 40 novelettes short stories, plays and poems—about 300,000 words.

Featured in tome are Richard Wrigt 's first fiction since 'Native (Continued on page 54)

Chi Slumps But 'Okla.' Still Sellout At \$30,000, 'Kiss' 121/2G, 'Janie' \$7,000

Most attractions were victims of the pre-holiday slump last week, only Carradine Troupe 2216 the pre-holiday slump last week, only exception being Oklahoma," a sellout again. "Kiss and Tell' took the big-gest drop, hitting \$12,500, and 'Good Night, Ladies,' was nicked for two grand for a \$1,000 week. Estimates for Last Week (*Good Night, Ladies, Blackstone (*Bith week)' (1,200; \$2,75). Dipped to \$11,000.

'Janie,' Civic (9th week) (900; \$2.75). Closed Saturday (18) to \$7,000.

'Kiss and Tell,' Harris (32d week) (1,000; \$2.75). Down to \$12,500. 'Okiahoma,' Erlanger (5th week) (1,400; \$3.85). Sellout \$30,000. Tomorrow the World, Selwyn (6th week) (1,000; \$2.75). Eased off to \$13,000.

Unexpected Honeymoon, Great Northern (4th week) (1,400; \$2.75). Cutrate tickets held up receipts to around \$5,700.

'CORN' WOW \$24,000 IN SPLIT WEEK AT K.C.

The Corn Is Green, with Ethel Barrymore, has been registering sensational business on the road, sensational business on the road drama having played almost com-tinuously for four years. Last week Com' topped of the come of the com-tion of the comment of the com-loce and Kansas City, last three named being repeat dates. Show anye but sever performance produced when the comment of the com-goin the comment of the com-goin the comment of the com-tion of the comment of the com-tinuous comments of the com-goin the comment of the com-goin the comment of the com-tinuous comments of the comments of the comments of the comments of the com-tinuous comments of the comme

New Chatterton Play NSG \$3,000 in Pitt

Pittsburgh, Dec. 21.
Nixon went to a new low for the Nixon went to a new low for the season last week, with new Ruth Chatterton play, 'A Lady Comes Home,' In seven performance, Monday night opener having been called fin account of insufficient rehearsals, show barely got \$3,000 at \$2,75 top. House hasn't done that poorly in several years, and curiously continued to the continued of the continued

Nixon currently has another new one, 'Storm Operation,' which will Nixon currently has another new one, "Storm Operation," which will stoy out an additional week, Cleve-laud after Pittsburgh, before going to New York, and then is set until middle of February, with Boston Opera Company, "My Sister Elleen," 'Jackpot, "Marianne," Patriots and Riss and Tell."

'Sons' Sock \$31,000 For St. Louis Season's Best

Olsen and Johnson's Sons of Fun proved the best draw of the current proved the best draw of the current proved the best draw of the current proved the best drawn of the current closing a one-week stand at the closing a one-week stand at the stand proving. With SIO mobis on deck opening, with SIO mobis of the standard opening the

comecuans, bouquets.

House dark currently for the first time this season. Relights Monday (27), with 'Patrilots' in for a one-week engagement.

Gilbert-Sullivan Rep Neat \$17,000, Boston

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'ARSENIC' 10G, CINCY

Cincinnati, Dec. 21.

Boris Karloff in Arsenic and Old
Lace did night last week in the
1,300.seat Cox theatre, grossing approximately \$10,000.

Top was \$2.20.

In 2 Weeks on Coast

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Pro-Chitage, Dec. 21.

Pro-Chitage, Company, of "Kiss and Tell, bowing at the Biltmore for four bowing at the Biltmore for four bowing at the Biltmore with Chitage, Chitage, Dec. 21.

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John Carradine's Shakespear viriable, Dec. 21.

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Pro-Chitage, Dec. 21.

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CHATTERLY' REVIVED BY LINDER FOR COAST RUN

Jack Linder gets back into legit producing Sunday (26) when his re-vival of 'Lady Chatterly's Lover' opens at the Long Beach auditorium. vival of "Lady Chatterrys Loveness the Long Back audiorium. Spice play comes into the downtown. Spice play comes into the downtown. Spice play comes into the downtown beliance New Sear's eve for two Beliance New Sear's spice (Chatterry was at Brighton Beech, N.Y., six years age, Pollowing the local engagement, play moves to Frisco, Seattle and Portland, with brighton Beech, N.Y., six play and the piece will be taken by Chatterry Carlage, Regnolds, Barbara Pepper, Donald Kirke, Willis Claire, Hein Holmes, Six Medical Matter, Metton, Max West and Robert Shield.

Mull 10 Scripts For \$500 Pittsburgh Prize

5000 PHISDHIGH FIZE

Pittsburgh, Dec. 21.

Ten scripts have been selected by local jurors in Pittsburgh Draina
League's \$500 Playwriting Contest and sent to the New York judges for a final selection. The 10, were weeded out by Robert Gill, Playhouse director; Edwin L. Petersen, house director; Edwin L. Peterse professor of creative writing at Un versity of Pittsburgh, and Harold. V Cohen, drama editor of Pos Gazette, from a batch of more tha 175 submitted in Drama Leagu competition. Final jury is compose of Katharine Cornell, Rosamur Gitder and Prof. Walter Pritchar Faton

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'MAID' 6G, INDPLS.

Indianapolis, Dec. 21.
Maid in the Ozarke' grossed a sat-isfactory \$6,000 at a \$2.20 top in four performances at Keith's (1,200 seat-er) here Dec. 13-14-15 despite poor reviews from all papers.

FAMILY' \$4,500, TORONTO The Xmas crimp saw 3 Is Family grossing a poor \$4,500 Royal Alexandra here, with 1,52 seater scaled at \$2.50 top.

> A Fine Historical Piece 'Flames and Panic' By H. CLAY MINER

VARIETY'S

'Student Prince' OK

Student Prince; Wheek Circoland, Dec. 31.

Student Prince; with Everett Marshall, began dropping at haliway mark and ended by whit at Hanna still a herliter gross than most revival reap in Clevelland. Scaled at \$2,50° and \$2,50° an

'Jackpot' 22G To Top Philly

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BLITHE SPIRIT' NSG \$12,000 IN DETROIT

Detroit, Dec. 21.

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holidays with 'Sons o' Fun,' in for two weeks.

Tobacco Road,' in its second week at the Lafayette, skidder to \$7,100 at \$1,65 top. A betterment is predicted here, with the flu, locally of short duration, falling off rapidly and with John Barton returned to the cast Sunday.

'Abie' 8G, 'Doughgirls' 10G in Offish Boston

Bit remains off the Boston, Dec 21; the functioning in the Hote a light through being rich by the opening Moudou (26) of Ruth Gordon's Over 21; but the state of
udent Prince' OK \$13,800 in Cleve, Week B'way Way Off: Doughgirls' 13G. Kiss' 101/3G, Boys' 19G, 'Carrolls' 121/2G; New Clicks Strong

Carrolls' 12¹/26; New Clicks Strong

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the previous week; suit wamme, the previous product of the week (D-1,082; 83.30). Run leader shurally tapeted off since Thanksgiving, with last week around \$10,-11, and the state of the s

Pegsy Phillips' adaptation from the Russian. "Mashenks", opens-tonight-fluxian. "Mashenks", opens-tonight-Lovers and Friends, Plymouth (do to the property of the property of the law of the property of the property of the property of the property of the object of the property of the property of close to op money from the property of close to op money from the property of the property of the property of the object of the property of the property of the commons advance sale extends into spring; selling out, 590,000. (One Tuesch of Venus, Imperial Other reception to rule last week, ad-other exception to rule last week, ad-vance sale protecting takings, which went to \$85,500 again... '481. Spread (fit week) (D-473; 33-30). Engage-ment slated well into January; of

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'Over 21' Neat \$6,000 In New Haven Break-In

New Haven, Dec. 21
Premiere of 'Over 21' drew or mistic notices here last weeke (16-18) and pulled approximate \$6.000 into Shubert strong box.
On four shows at \$2.75 top, t was fair enough for pre-Xmas.



OBITUARIES

THOMAS "FATS WALLER
Thomas W, "Fats' Waller, 30, die
in his railroad care berth Dec, 15 in
Kansas City while en route to New
York from Hollywood, where he and
completed picture engagements. Is
the Coast two weeks before his departure, but apparently had recovrest satisficatify to allow the trip,
An autopy, however, Indicate
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the Abysinian Baptist Church in Harlem. The given bubble for Knowl bounds are the green bubble for Knowl bounds bounds are the of place and the state of the stat

feater simply of various dance and jazz pand combinations through personal based combinations through personal base songs, 'Ain't Mishebayu'n and Flooreyuckle Rose' already, are established as jazz standards, Long before declaration of war Waller started entertained justices that the compact is the compact of the compact of the compact persons contributed these generous contributions of his latent up until the time of his death. 'Although these activities at the plaintly request, were problemed, the National Council of vets organization, meeting in Phladelphia Sunday (19) voted a post-humous clistation and award to Waller for his efforts to entertain the fight general regime of the country he loved in great of the country he loved in the loved in the country he loved in the country he men of the country he loved

well. George H. Maines, USA (reserves), reluced of Flint, Mich.; and Sergt. Jareel Kauffman, Washington, George H. Maines, USA (reserves), reluced of Flint, Mich.; and Sergt. Jareel Kauffman, Washington, H. G. Washington, G. Washin

heard occasionally in libraries, of small Jazz bands.

Walter first achieved national fame when he was a radio performer on when he was a radio performer tion landed him a job as a CBS en-terainer. An attempt to slant the popular plants through the classical grove falled when his lone appear-cital, about a year ago, failed to meet with critics approval.

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The plantst bandleader sino was course with a contract of the con-toured with: and which featured Bessie Smith. He also made several dim appearances.

film appearances.

He is survived by his widow, three sons, one an Army corporal, a brother and three sisters.

GEORGE WHITING

a seam of the best forom songs to which he contributed lyries were fly Blue Reaven, "West of the Great Divide," Haß. Up On a Hilliop, "Haßa Manan, "That's How Rhythm Was Born, "Don't Let Your Love Go Wrong," Rhythm and Romance," and Strolling Through the Park One DA A Ballow of Ch.

A native of Chicago, Whiting was brought to New York by Kid McCov

of the price ring at the age of 10 and installed as a singer in the mid-dieveleith's rathseller at the old librate! Normandie, thus becoming one of the first paid entertainers in Broadway cafe history. Previously warbling chores had been handled warbling chores had been handled up to the state of the sing attracted the attention of Harry Von Titzer, who published one of his early songwriting efforts, and Irving Berlin, who collaborated with him Whilting left McCoys for vandeville and while or four med Sadie will be stated and while or four med Sadie will be stated and while or four med Sadie will be stated and while or four med Sadie will be stated and while or four med Sadie will be stated and while or four med Sadie will be stated by the stated while of the stated while of the work of the stated while of the stated while and but they were well known and headlined on At the time of his death the vectors no gwriter and former actor was engaged in radio expire dictoria work. Whow and four daughters survive.

Printrose. Later he represented Eugenia Blair in 'Doll's House' and other productions, and was agent for 'Get Rich Quick Wallingtord' for Cohan and Harris. He handled road tours of the Honey Boy Evans Minstrels for George M. Cohan and for several seasons was road manager for several Henry W. Savege musi-

cal comedy productions.

Attyr leaving the road, Shalters managed a legitimate theatre in Trenton and the legitimate theatre in Trenton and Reading and entered in nonheartical pursuits. In recent years he assisted in managing and served, on the staff of Harry Archibald's Feet on the Ground and other productions. cal comedy productions.

THOMAS RURTON

Thomas Burton, 69, retired actor, led Dec. 16 at his home in New York City.

York City.

Burton was born in Boston, and made his first stage superarace with Fanny Davenport. He was she in the cast of the Chaperons before Company. He also played on Broadways In Henry W. Savages' production of. Peggi, Pron. Pril. Advanced Chaperon Company. He also played on Broadway in Henry W. Savages' production of. Peggi, Pron. Pril. Advanced Chaperon Company of the Chaperon Com

the same day. They were uncle and aunt of Lee and J. J. Shubert. Eldridge was connected with the Shuberts for 40 years, managing the Shuberts for 40 years, managing the Shubert, New Haven, for many seasons and also representing them in London. Mrs. Light is survived by two sons, Herman and Norman Light, the latter being manager of the Imperial, N. Y., theatre.

MATTHEW HYMES

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Matthew Hymes, 84, who owned
and managed Grand Opera House,
Buckhannon, W. Va., died at his
home in that city.
In addition to being an exhibitor,
Hymes was chief of police in Bucketor, who have been a support of a Cityl Waveran, he himself was a weteran of the
Spanish-American War and for more
than a duzen years was a teacher
and school principal.

Wo daughters.

LEO CARR

LEO CARE
Second Lieut. Leo Theodore (Ted')
Carr, 26, formerly head of the WGN
Concert Bureau and for several years
previously assistant executive-secretary of the American Gulld of Musical Artists, was killed Dec. 16 in line
of duty with the Army Air Forces at Dunellen. Fla. His mother and a sis-

Dunelien, Fia. His mother and a sister survive.

Carr was at one time editor of Dance magazine. He enlisted in the Air Forces two years ago and was receiving night combat training at the time of his death,

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JOSEPH ROSEY
Joseph Joe' Rosey, 61, writer
member of ASCAP and composer of
several instrumental specialities, died
on Dec. 20 In New York. Among
his best-known compositions were
Waltzin' the Scale' and 'Raggin' the

Waves.'
Rosey was stricken in the midtown
Broadway jewelry store of M. Rosenthal & Sons, founded by his father
and with which he had been connected for many years.

GEORGE B. PECK
George B. Peck, veteran theatre
manager, died at his home in Tampa,
Flas, Dec. 8. He had retired some
genrs ago after being manager of
producer, both in the middle producer, both in the middle value of
producer, both in the middle value of
producer, both or a number of years
before coming to Tampa in 1924.
His widow survives.

CASHEL POMEROY

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Cashel Boneroy, 73, operator of theatres which produced short plays in London, Paris and New York, died in Morristown, N. J., Dec. 17, after a long illness.
He once appeared in Spanish dance act on Kelth and Orpheum circuits. Surviving is a widow.

MAJOR CLARK ROBINSON Major Clark Robinson, 47, one of the most colorful men in the presen-tation, show biz, was killed in a plane crash in Asam, India, Dec. 12. Further details in vaudeville sec-

DANIEL RUSSO

Daniel J. Russo, 60, widely known in show business as director of the pit orchestra at the Palace theatre in Chicago for 20 years died Dec. 14 at his home in North Hollywood after

a short illness.

HENRY BRETHERICK
Henry Bretherick, 95, former president of the Organists Guild of America, died in San Francisco, Dec.

Surviving is a son,

William Baker Daniel, 54, father of Billy Daniel, stage and screen dancer, and also dance director in Hollywood, died in a Fort Worth hospital Friday (17) after a heart

Ninnian Yule, 77, paternal grand-father of Mickey Rooney, film star, died in Jersey City last week.

Literati

Continued from mare 52 Son, a novelette by Ira Wolfert and a play by Arthur Miller, 'The Man Who Had All the Luck,' already skedded for Broadway production,

CHATTER

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John Sturdivant, American Weekly
mag writer, questing features in the
film studios.
George Weller in Hollywood to
interview screen names for Chicago
Daily News Syndicate.
George Creet, who was the Elmer
Davis of World War I, patched by
McBride for a book on the Axis war

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Thomas C. O'Donnell has chucked the editorship of Cartoons magazine to join the staff of McBride, the book was a staff of McBride, the book was been considered to the control of the c

gather a bunch of Nick Kennys N. 1. Mirror pieces into a single volume under the title of 'Day Unto Day.' Angna Enters, whose third book, Silly Girl,' is being published by Houghton Mifflin next month, has an exhibition of new paintings on view at the Newhouse Galleries, N. Y.,

exhibition of new part at the Newhouse Galleries, N. Y., until Jan. 8.
Closing date of Macinilian's Centenary awards offered for fiction and non-fiction works by members of U.S. and British armed forces has been advanced one year until Dec been advanced one year until Dec 31, 1944. Macmillan awards total \$10,000 in this country, ditto for Eng-lish prize winners.

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BIRTHS

Mf. and Mrs. Wally Allen, son, Dec. 18, Chicago. Father is vaude to the control of the control o

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hageman, daughter, Akron, O., Dec. 15. Father is program director for WADC, that

city.
Sgt. and Mrs. William Hendricks,
a daughter, sin Detroit, Dec. 16.
Father, now is in Marines, formerly

Fainer, now is in Marines, rormerly was on publicity staff of United De-troit Theatres.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Lloyd, son Dec. 17, New York. Father is head of 20th-Fox radio dept. mother is former Esther Ralston, screen actress.

JOSEPH McCARTHY
Joseph McCarthy, 58, lyricist for
many top ranking musical comedies,
motion picture and popular songs,
died Dec. 18 at his New York city
home after a long filness. He was a

IN MEMORY OF OUR GOOD FRIEND

MAJOR CLARK ROBINSON

Who Died in the Service of His Country December 12, 1943

DAZIAN'S, INC.

Tomer director of ASCAP. He wrote most of his songs with Harry Tenney, who composed the music, Among outstanding productions for which he supplied lyrics and for which he supplied lyrics and and several editions of the "Ziegfeld Foilies." Screen songs were contributed to Man Trouble. "High Society Blues" and 'Song o' My Heart," Light Society Blues' and 'Song o' My Heart, "Light Society Blues" and 'Song o' My Heart," Light Society Blues' and 'Song o' My Heart," Light Society Blues' and 'Song o' My Heart," Light Society Blues' and 'Song o' My Heart, "Light Society Blues' and 'Song o' My Heart," Light Society Blues' and 'Song o' My Heart," Light Society Blues' and 'Song o' My Heart, "Light Society Blues' and 'Song o' My Heart," Light Society Blues' and 'Song o' My Heart, "Light Society Blues' and 'Song o' My Heart," Light Society Blues' and 'Song o' My Heart, "Light Society Blues' and 'Song o' My Heart," Light Society Blues' and 'Song o' My Heart, "Light Society Blues' and 'Song o' My Heart," Light Society Blues' and 'Song o' My Heart, "Light Society Blues' and 'Song o' My Heart," Light Society Blues' and 'Song o' My Heart, "Light Society Blues' and 'Song o' My Heart," Light Society Blues' and 'Song o' My Heart, "Light Society Blues' and 'Song o' My Heart," Light Society Blues' and 'Song o' My Heart, "Light
tributed to Man Trouble. 'High Society Blues and Song o' My Heart, among others.'

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McCarthy, to work for Leo Peist, Inc., and then transferred to music comedy assignments. He never used compositions and appearing in a cale met George Krey, Hub misic publisher, who hirst him so play times. He was a member of the Lambs and New York Athletic Club. Survivors include widow a son, Corp. T. J. McCarthy, Jr., and a diaghter.

FEANK B. SHALTEES.

FRANK B. SHATTERS
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Frank B. Shalters, 73. for many years manager of traveling leists, was found dead in his partiment in Reading, 4p. Dec. 13. He was secretary to Mayor Harry F. Menges during the Willed Mayor Harry F. Menge during the Manager of the Old Academy of Music, Reading, now the Rajah thermanager of the Manager during the Manager of the Manage Shalters looked after the Mishler local and oitside interests. Later formed partnership with Chester DeVonda, romatic actor in 10-20-20 stock, Shalters managing and directing the company. The pair earned a small fortune via this venture. Shalters then became representative on road tours for Adelaide Thurston. In 1903-4-5 in Little Minister, "Cozy Corners" and "Polly is the contraction of th

appeared in 'The Potters,' 'Ameri-cana,' and 'The Whirlpool.' .He retired from the stage in 1933 and became librarian for the Chris-tian Science Reading Room in New

York.

Survived by widow and son.

Funeral under the auspices of the
Actors' Fund of America was held
in New York on Dec. 17.

CHARLES H. WALDRON
Charles H. Waldron, 78, veteran
producer and theatre owner, died at
his home in Somerville, Mass., Dec.
11, following brief illness.

Many years owner of the famed Waldron's Casino in Boston, which Many years owner of the famee Malary Years ago. Waldron's Casino in Boston, which he-built. 44 years ago. Waldron. was ment Company of former years ment Company of former years which operated a circuit of theather the wald of the core Eurol. Waldron was a consistent of the Actors Eurol. And a son, Billy, who has been and a son, Billy, who has been and a son, Billy, who has been for many years. Funeral was held on Diec. 14, the mourners including many of Howers theories took.

JONAS FREUND
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MARSHALL STEDMAN

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Marshall Stedman, 69, former
Broadway and Hollywood setor, died
Dec. 16 in Laguna Beach, Cal, after
a short illness. For years he had
conducted a school of drama in the
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Broadway

Merriel Abbott in from Chi. to o.o Johnny O'Connor sidelined past few days with mild arthritic attack. Larry Kent back in N. Y. from vacation with family in Phoenix,

Ariz.

AMPA holding its first open meeting today (Wednesday) at Edison hotel.

Carl Leserman back at United Artists home office following siege of fits. Pete Jaeger (Blue Network sale gr.) back from extended midwes

orn trek.

Grad Sears to Northampton for raduation of daughter, Patricia, at

graduation of Gaugnete, restrict, as a month of the control of the

hard, actinately going oversion for the control of
nd, lamac hotel has entertainment the first time in 10 years, Velva ley being featured in the cocktail valley being leatured in the cocktail lounge.

John Hickey back in New York, because of his father's illness, after a year with Interstate in Dallas and Houston.

John Hickey back in New York; year with Interestate in Dallas and Houston. Ton Weatherly, furnerity 2-a. for Ton Houston and Forder and Forders and

Anna Sosenko, Hildegarde's per-

Anna Sosenko, Hildegarde's per-sonal manager, experiencing one of the tougher flu attacks; day and night nurses, etc., but just passed the crisis.

Broadwayites rooting for Waite Hoyt, former schoolboy mound star of Yankees, to land Will's announcer spot for Yanks and Giants 1944 games.

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ew York Photog's annual ball
eeds this year being turned
to the American Theatre Wing.
dig takes place next month at
Astor

the Astor.

Ivan Black, Broadway p.a. while training back from Plovida, was shaken up in a train wreck in Georgia last week. He's now recuping from shock.

Anderson, who died several months

ago. Noel Meadow, Broadway p.a., now operates two picture houses. Last week he took over the 55th St. Playhouse, three months after his Stanley theatre acquisition in Times

ley theatre acquisition.

Square.

Since Frank Sinatra sent Mrs, Jack
(Rose) Robbins some flowers at Doctor's hosp, where she is confined from
a heart attack, the nurses have been
treating the music publisher's spouse
with extra respect.

Rio de Janeiro

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the Urea.

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has been Jouend to the Brailling government to head the War Bond

There is a ceve of 1.000 men work-

erament to near the new Drive.

There is a crew of 1,000 men working day and night on the Quitandinha hotel. Bopes are that one will be ready to open by the first of the year. If makes one feel like Alice in Wonderland, it's all that pretentious.

Washington

Ruby Foo is going in for entertainment with Castalina band next week.

WTOP has organized a 20-piece workers to play for programs or contest a contrainment with the programs of the contest and the contest a

Nugent's Tips

Continued from page 2 = are none of us prudes. We know with Kipling that 'single men in bar-racks don't turn into plaster saints,' And there are still many speakers who know the definition of the fast

And there are still many speakers who know the definition of the fast disappearing standard of good tasks, who know the definition of the definition of the standard process and the standard proces

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Profanity On Air Continued from page 1

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Australia

By Eric Gerrick _ Melvyn Douglas on Aussie run-around.

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Some talk here of Quentin Reynolds doing Aussie lecture tour in '44.

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runaround.
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in number of years.

Syd. Albright, United Artista Local Local List Journal of the List

Miami

Helen Daniels added at Park Avenue Carpen Cavallaro band, fesúaring Alan Dale, a big draw at the Froles. Carpen Cavallaro band, fesúaring Alan Dale, a big draw at the Froles. Parky Davig added Tubby Rives, Patry Shaw and Professor Backwaria to floor, bowers at the Versaille Hotel. Bobby Sherwood orthough at Plager Cardens. Band Carpend and Carpend and Carpend and Carpend and the Rhumba Kings. But Leonard Lord Language Carpend
Mexico City

Bob Bromley, American marion-ettist, heading the floor show at El Patio nitery. Cecil Brows weathing here. Plans a ratio talk about Mexico ad-Albert Stupet, 18, one of the acc jockeys at the race meet here, died of injuries suffered in a spill at the track Dec. 5.

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in 'Grand Hotel,' which his company,
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Minneapolis

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Consent Decree Continued from page 8

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Continues from page 1 they acquire additional houses. However, there are several provisors. The companies want exceptions for showese theatres, and they also companies was several provisors. The companies was several provisors. They have also compalained about towns where they are shut out by the indies, naming New Ordeans as one of these.

New Ordeans are one of these, course to the Pederal courts for permission to acquire new theatres, the Big Five wants to be able to go into the penalticular, interest of being from N. Y. City which is handling the decree. Justice Department, Clark indicated, is willing to horse-trade on this point. Clark havors the product of the penaltic day regional arbitration complaints under the decree be handled by regional arbitration complaints under the decree be handled by regional arbitration. At present, these matters are all settle in New York, which makes it bandle their cases in person. If the Big Five agrees to this change it will probably get the right to deal with other Federal courts in the the-arte acquisition matter.

New Hit Comics

years, along with a number of others.
Bracketed with the quiz show comics years, along with a number of others, are such others as Tom Sister, whose such as the policy of the

are further illustrations of filling the comedy gap on the air. It's recalled, too, that Garry Moore, who shares the comedy end of the Camel Friday night show with Jimmy Durante, came up via the ain-nouncer, stance in St. Louis and points south.

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Hollywood

James Cagney laid up with bron-chitis. Deanna Durbin divorced Lieut, Vaughn Paul.

vaugnn Paul.

Busby Berkeley broke an arm in a fall at home.

Toddy Peterson, screen actress, divorced Fred R. Simpson, studio tech-

nician.

Armand Schaefer producing 60th picture for Republic, 'Rosie Biveter.'

micro and Schneder producing his color picture for Republic, Rosie the Right of the Color of Republic, Rosie the Right of Republic and the Right of Republic and
Pittsburgh

By Hal Coh Dorothy O'Connor resigned as ATS ubscription secretary. Dorothy Nesbitt, the Gay Nineties ounge drawing card, out with the

flu.

Chinese dancer Mara Kim nixed burlesque offer and will stick to nitery work.

Mills Brothers penciled into Stanley with Ted Fio Rito's band for Christmas Week.

Couple of WCAE aces, Polly Ma lone and 'Aunt Caroline' (Adeline Hood), on the sick list.

Hood), on the sick list.

Little Joev Klein, one of the town's
original screwballs, has returned to
the show at Nite Court of Fun.

Walt Framer, ex-radio man here,
now producing and scripting Blue
network sustainer, Ladies Be Seated.

New Club Brazil opened at Hous-ton, Pa., about 20 miles from down-town, with George Scotti heading the

opening of Dorothy Lewis ice show at Terrace Room postponed several nights because of equipment trouble.

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Buenos Aires

By Ray Josephs Don Miguel Machinandiarena, of San Miguel Studios, off to Rio on biz. Nuestra Natacha, San Miguel pro-duction, starring Amelia Bence, to

lab.
Team of Charlo and Sabino Olmos left for tour of Pacific coast last week.
Maria Duval inked by San Miguel for 44, 45 and 46, for eight pix dur-

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Curt Massey, whose income reaches four figures weekly from reaches four negures weekly from participation in 19 shows a week declares that he plans accepting one of the offers made by Coast and New York agencies because 'mishandling of his programs prevents him from achieving national prominence.

achieving national prominence. Massey claims that his shows are topheavy with bad commercials which, he ayers, go a long way in killing, an otherwise capable performer. Consequently, he has deedled to throw up the sponge as far as the Windy City is concerned. He said layout of his programs prevents him from getting a decent night-time show as long as he remains here.

Massey has two prodrams weekly

show as long as he remains nere. Massey has two programs weekly (CBS and NBC) for Shutter Candy Co. In addition he, works the five times weekly 'Musical 'Milkwagon' over WGNI, nine 15-minute shots for Grove's Laboratories and three. 10-minute shots over the WLS Vari-etty Hint.

High Market Value For Legit Stagers

While Marc Connelly is getting a \$5,000 fee plus a 2% royalty on the srous, and a 5% unit nite profits, for srous, and a 5% unit nite profits, for srous, and a 5% unit nite profits, for the state of t

TOTE-YOUR-OWN IN SOME KEY CITIES FOR NEW YR.

For the first time since Prohibition, New Year's Eve revelers in a num-ber of key cities will be toing their own liquor—at the specific request of cafe owners Bars and night clubs for weeks have been running dry, and the beverage shorting is becom-ing more actite with the holidays. Requests for rescryations have (Conliqued on page 18)

FLOWERLESS ROSE BOWL?

This town is scrambling for roses to adom its Rose Tournament on New Year's Department of the Partically all flowers in the past have come from Oregon but this year they are not savallable because of transportation difficulties.

Local smooth

Local supply of posics was cleaned out by Christmas buyers.

Now He Knows Newark, N. J., Dec. 28.

A lonely soldier—a stranger to these parts—asked the doorman of a picture house on Market street, Where is the Stage Door Canteen?

It didn't take the doorman long to answer, 'Why, that played here eight weeks ago.'

WHITEMAN'S \$6,500 AT ROXY AS SOLO MAESTRO

Probably a new high for a isolo guest masstro, playing a Broadway picture shouse without his own hand, end directory of the Blue network and conductor of the Philoc-Variety'. Hall of Fame', orchestra, when he goes into the Roxy, N. Y., at the end of April. Whiteman will receive a few for the conductors of the Philoc-Variety'. Hall of Fame', orchestra, when he goes into the Roxy, N. Y., at the end of April. Whiteman will receive his chore at the 20th-70x Hazebin.

Whiteman will lead the Paul Ash house orchestra which will be built up to 40 men; normal complement is 18.

GAIN IN GLAMOR

By MORI KRUSHEN

Film production toppers fore vastly increased audience for leading male stars now in the armed

ing male, stars now in the armed forces when they come back after the war, pointing out that military service is giving the stars a popular glamer buildup which no normal exploitation campaign could equal. Estimated In trade, circles that you their return to the screen such that the start of the screen such a start of the screen such a start of the screen such that the start of the screen such that the start of the screen such that the start from 19,000,000 to 20,000,000 more ticked buyers than prior to make the screen such person of the screen such that the screen such that the screen screen such that the screen such that the screen screen such that the screen such that the screen screen such that the screen screen such that the screen such that the screen screen such that the screen such that the screen screen such that the screen screen screen such that the screen screen screen such that the screen scre

Another Revival

New York.

Editor, 'Variety.'

With 'Othello' and 'Carmen Jones' doing sensational business, I think it you can revive 'Shuttle Along' with white actors you will make a fortune-or at least meet some old NVA members.

Yours, Fred Allen

New York.

PALLADIUM HOOFERY'S RECORD 600G PROFIT

RELUKIN OUUE TRUTH.

Biggest money making dance spot in country is Hollywood Palladium, which will clear \$000,000 this year as against a previous high of \$450,000. https://doi.org/10.10000/10.10000/10.10000/10.10000/10.10000/10.10000/10.10000/10.10000/10.10000/10.10000/10.10000/10.10000/10.100000/10.100000/10

Some of the costliest film produc-tions yet planned, postponed as a re-sult of wartime talent and material limitations, are on tap for produc-tion when the war ends.

Costliest Films

Yet Must Wait

Till End of War

uon when the war ends.

A considerable number of these pictures have been completely scripted and depend only on greater talent availability, while others, dealing with war personalities, are held back because of unfavorable reaction from official quarters to picturization. of contemporary military tenders.

leaders.

Among pictures held up due to lack of talent. Is 'Quo Vadis' which was reportedly budgeted at \$45,00,000 or more. Understood, that Metro production sexes felt that the picture could not be properly made at this time due to lack of the large number of marching men required more of marching was reverable to lock of the large number of marching were also locating difficulties were also involved.

'Yadis' was released.

'Vadis' was planned as the cost-liest negative since 'Gone With the Wind.'

'Variety' reprints for its readers this James B. Reston story to the New York Times in the belief that it is one of the journalistic classics of World War II.

Britain's Fifth War Christmas By James B. Reston

LONDON, Dec. 25.—Britain tried hard to be merry today on its fifth wartime Christmas, but it tried so hard and failed so miserably that it seems even a little grimmer tonight than it did before.

The plain truth is that this is an island of The plain truth is that this is an island of lonely people—American soldiers standing around the Rainbow Clibb chewing the national cud of discontent: lonely old couples evacuated from their familiar dwellings; lonely young women whose men have been gone overseas for years; lonely parents whose sons are gone, many of them forever, and whose daughters are in services in the factories or on the land, far from home.

in the factories or on the land, far from home. There is, real hope in Britain this Christmas, which is something, and there is still gentility and goodwill, which are a great deal, but the fifth Christmas is worse than all the rest on this basic question of the break-up of family life. Now more than-90-per-cent-of-the-families-on-this-island-are broken; up for one reason or another. While this is necessary and the British people can stand it 304 days out of this year and, it necessary, 304 days out of the next, on trillen to out them. It but not them, the last of the last control of them.

Even the children, with that divine imagination Even the children, with that divine imagination and with all these wonderful, mysterious bombed houses to play in, are less enchanted than before. Most of them, of course, do not miss the shipy metal toys that other, happier generations enjoyed. The 500,000 children less than 2 years old who never knew the brightness of the old Christmass do not miss what they cannot renember. But the control of the important minor events of the war.

The American invasion Army here tried to compensate for their ioneliness in many ways. In almost every camp they invited the children of overseas British soldlers to their camps and plied them with candy, cookies and many other things, like oranges, that have almost departed from memory in this island.

from memory in this Island.

As many soldiers as could find seats or standing room went to the thirty-two plays that are running in London. A number of boys from home were introduced to their first pantomime at the Collseum, where "Humpty-Dumpty" was playing, and at His Majesty's Theatre, where "Cinderdy, was on. But mainly they sat around their carn's or went into the nearest town and indulged in the things in which soldiers indulge when they are on leave and bored.

on the whole, however, neither the, British people nor the American soldiers solved that problem of Jonelliness Despite all the promises of the Ministry of Food, the turkey and the beef did not quite go around, the whiskey was scarce and the beer was weak. Even if all these things had been available in the right quantity or strength, they would not have made up for the empty chairs

empty chairs. In short, it was not a very happy Christmas, though perhaps it justifies a hopeful conclusion, In war, Hiller said, the people will come to realize that the State is the most important unit of society and the people will learn to cry out for the State, Maybe he was right about the Germans, but he was wroing again about the Americans and the British, Our men are looking to the family and not to the State, and this fact was never more apparent than in Britain on this Christmas night.

Religious Films Prove Big B.O.

Not only is there a definite trend-towards religious and spiritual screen fare, but already the acumen agreen fare, but already the acumen ing a public demmnd for this type of production is being borne out in initial bosofice returns on at least religious to the production of the production is being borne out in initial bosofice returns on at least fall and the production of the producti

TAG LIBERTY SHIPS FOR ADA REHAN, MRS. FISKE

Washington, Dec. 28.
Liberty ships are to be named after two of the greatest women of the theatre of a generation or

more ago.
Ship being built at a Henry Kaiser yard in California will be called the Ada Rehan; another, under construc(Continued on page 34)

LEGIT TRYOUTS, INC.

News twinkle in semi-pro legit groups is Yale Drama group, now in Kew York, which is contacting production with an idea known as Transport of the production of the finished product.

(Reprinted from the New York Times of Dec. 26th, 1943.)

Gen. Motors to Stav :- C'

After Initial Click; May Spring Pla...

Dets 1 Dec. 28.

There's going to be no let-down in industrially produced morals shows as far as General Motors, biggest in the control of th

there poeause of transportation direct. General Moiors has been staging the special shows for its employees, in which regular, theatres in the towns where plants are located were used for the past four years and has amounted that the expensive-production. The way aring shows also will utilize hands and entertainers for a full-length stage; show in addition to feature length and filling plx products to the workers how their production to the workers how their production to the workers how their production is vital to the war effort. Because of GM's success with the-desired production is vital to the war effort.

atre enterprises, other companies have increased their spending in the field and the unions, which figure that management may be doing too good a job of selling its point of view from the stage, also has leaped into show biz.

WOR in 22-Hr. Comm'l Tiein on New Yr. Salute To Troops 'Round Globe

American troops in all theaters of war will be saluted over WOR on the time breaks by the Longines Wittenauer and Bulova time-piece firms, at the moment of the New Year arrival.

Starting at 8 am. Friday (31) men on Tarawa and Makin atolis will get their greetings with the schedule ending at 6 a.m. New Year's Day when troops in the Aleutians get their good wishes.

ferences between army and navy time may cause the new year in the same area to be ushered in as much as two hours apart.

2d Haymes Pic Due For Runvon at 20th-Fox

KUNYON AZ ZUIN-FOX

Hollywood, Dec. 28.

Dick Haymes returns to Hollywood late next month for a Feb. 7

start in 20th-Fox's When Irish Eyes

a starting foel. It will be produced
by Damon Runyon. Haymes returned to N. Y. a week ago after
completing hig fast fox film. Four

Carole Landis, Martha Raye, Kuy

Francis and Mitzi Mayfair, and includes Jimmy Dorsey's orchestra.

Arrangements—te shift Haymes'

CES, for Bourloss to Hollywood

will be completed by the end of the

week.

Nazis Ban British, U.S. Pix in Axis Italy

Washington, Dec. 28.
Nazis have banned the showing of British and American films in Axis-controlled northern Italy, and have announced that the pix, will be conflictated

Despite the war, some British and American pictures which were in Italy continued to be screened for audiences there. These films were all upward of two years old.

Good Housing

A company of 'Abie's I - Rose,' the perential con which many people regard as set of the bokiest plays in American theatre bistory, is booked for one nighter Jan. 4 in Mitch. S. D.

The legit house there is the Corn Palace

St. Paul Dailies Nix Ads On Barrymore in Mpls. Because of 'Slur' to City

Minneapolis, Dec. 2003 year deserves another."

Minneapolis bet existed to be permitted to parently are not to be permitted to accordance to the parently are not to be permitted to accordance to acc papers.

papers.

At any rate, B. H. Ridder, publish-er of the only St. Paul newspapers, the Dispatch and Ploner Press, irked because Ethel Barrymore in Corn Is Green appears here this week but does not include St. Paul in its present linerary, refused to permit the show to advertise in the

um here, housing the attraction, placed the ads with a Ridder newspaper's representative who accepted them. Later, however, Murray was informed that because the show slighted St. Paul it was persona non

'Corn' played both Minneapolis and St. Paul last season, but its busi-ness in St. Paul apparently did not warrant the return engagement

The Axis Finds The War Is Inconvenient

Washington, Dec. 28. Bulgarian Minister of the Interio

Year artival.

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Isan issued a decree ordering all

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Johnny Green's Brother, Dick. Killed in Air Crash Richard Green, about 36, brother

Richard Green, about 30, brother of Johnsy-Green, songwiller, was reported killed in airplane crash in South America Xmas day.

An officer in Army Special Services, Green was an assistant director at RKO studios in Hollywood before joining up and at various times was a writer and actor.

Ed Small's Musical

Hollywood Dec. 28.
'The Notorious Nancy Grey' is to be made into a big-scale musical by Edward Small for United Artist's re-

Dennis O'Keefe draws top rol

Jolie to His Fave Fla.

Hollywood, Dec. 28.
Al Jolson, having completed his assignment in Warners' Rhapsody in Blue, has left for Miami.
A commitment with Columbia, for filming of his screen biog, comes to bat in the spring.

'HONEST PLUSH' BEERY

Hollywood, Dec. 28. Metro set 'Honest Plush Brannon as the next starrer for Wallace Beery. O. O. Dull produces,

YOUR COPY OF 'VARIETY' MAY BE LATE

Because of the exigency of war-time transportation, ariety may be late sometimes in reaching you, especially 'Variety' may be late sometic during the Xmas mail rush.

Delays occur after 'Variety' leaves our offices and are

80th WEEK! KEN MURRAY'S

"BLACKOUTS OF 1944" El Capitan Theatre, Hollywood, Ca "Keep 'em laughing, Ken. One

For Filmization

More careful study is bein radio programs by pleture company story departments in the east, with indications that more ether ideas will be purchased for filming during

the next few months.

Close tab is kept on change in ratclose tao is kept on change in rat-ing and spotting of air shows by film company research departments, with studio interest sharpening as soon as programs get more favorable

studio interest sharpening as soon as program set more favorable spotting.

Among programs which are now being ogled for screening are Tasy Aces, 'Chamber Music Society of Lower Basin, St.' and 'The Gold-bergs,' which is being written for legit but not yet being offered for pictures.

legit but not yet being offered for pictures.

Meantime, 20th-Fox has bought the screen rights to 'Take It or Leave It,' Phil Baker quizzer, which is to be produced as a filmusical with Phil Baker as emcee, Bryan Foy is to produce for 20th.

Welles in Hosp With Yellow Jaundice: Bows Out of 4 Guest Shots

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Orson Welles in Mt. Sinal hospital,
N. Y., with an attack of yellow
Jaundice that caused him to cancel
litres guest dates over the weekend,
litres guest dates over the weekend,
little guest dates over the weekend,
little with guild anyworth, hereief recovering from a recent flu attack,
will accempany him. The actor had
been scheduled to appear Saturday
CRSs for College and Stunday night
(20) on the Philos-Variety 'Hail of
Alien on CRS for Texaco. He was
Terme on the Blue and with If
Civesday) on the CRS presentation
of Jause Eyre, on the 'Romance'
series.

series.

Raymond Edward Johnson subbed for Welles on the 'Hall of Fame,' Martin Gabel replaced, him or 'Romance' and Allen filled in the vacancy on the Texaco show with a satirical dramatic spot, Welles hopes to get back from Florida in time to start his new Socony-Vacuum series Jan. 12.

Royal Bounty to Ottawa Mgr. From Dutch Princess

Jugr., rom Jutch Princess

Local Famous Player-Canadian
house officials got Yule gifts from
Princess Juliana, daughter of Queen
Wilhelmina of the Netherlands.
Juliana, se psobably Ottawa's most
rabid film fam, seldom missing a
proposed the seldom proposed the seldom

to see If biz is quiet so she can slip in unnoticed.

Mgrs. Ray Tubman (Capitol) and Henry Marshall (Regent) got gold tie-pin crests of the Netherlands with initials "I for Juliana super-imposed. "Asst mgrs. each got gold-garnished cigaret cases with Neth-erlands crest embossed."

Roy Rogers' Air Pkge.

Blue auditioned a Roy Rogers ackage show last week with Smiley jurnette included. Burnette included.

Reported that Ford is interested in the half hour stint among other

- So WB's Got One

Word is easing around that Warners has got hold or one in Destination Tokyo." It's a submarie yarm and it attain memories. Those memories say that Warners has got something to follow.

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Regarded in the light of today the picture we mean that 'Destination Tokyo' has to follow hit it is excreas 'way back in 1830. Few may say that was the something to the light of the say opposition. But that '80 picture left an awhit of it, and rightly, say it. And very few saw it, if our memory is not too weighted with sage. That was because it was a man's picture. Strictly, and almost only, for the boys—if was that rough in spots.

John Ford's Merr Without Women' made for Fox at the time Winnie Sheehan was head of the studio. Brother, that was a picture and no longer to the studies of the st

135. So last week (Dec. 22) 'Variety' said, In one of its reviews, 'Destination Tokyo' is a standout—and do you supplex your going to get So. 1. When the property of the property of the said of t

122 Top Film-Personalities Embark On Yule Week Tour to Cheer Up GI's

The Vuletide exedus of picture state and constitutes one of the greatest heights yet undertaken by film personal. Every state in the union will be visited. Due to the heavy run of the state of the sta

While many single acts are going out, several husband and wire, mother and daughter and father with a child combinations have teamed up for the event.

Some of the family acts include the combination of the family acts include the combination of the combination of the combination of the family acts include the combination of the combi

Ann, Chester and Lilli Mortis and
Joan Crawford and Philip Terry.

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Hollywood's contribution to a merrier Yuletide season and a happier and Dawn Kennedy, Warner Baxter Yuletide season and a happier and Phil Schiette, Edgar Buchanan New Yaar to the GI's in comparison of the GI's in comparison which was a constant of the GI's in comparison which was a constant of the GI's in comparison which was a constant of the GI's and Frank Sully, Franchot. Tune austrant Walles, Alan-Markshall, and Mary Brian, Annie Rooney, Walter Jurman and Three Startest, Joan Crawford and Philip Terry, Harold Kelly and Art Fowler, Wallace Beery and Carol Ann, Irene Dunne and Edith Nall, Eleanor Brownell and Marion Stafford.

Odets Directing Grant

Hollywood, Dec. 28.

RKO has assigned Clifford Odets to direct the Carey Grant starrer, None But the Lonely Heart' on which, he recently finished a scripting job.

Filming starts in two weeks, with David Hempstead as producer.

MOCK QUITS COL.

Hollywood, Dec. 28.

John Mock has resigned as alory
editor of Columbia Pictures. No

The Cynical GROUCHO MARX

gives it the brusheroo with

Just Another Anniversary

VARIETY'S

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HIDDEN MILLIONS IN PIX COST

20th-Fox Now Looks Likely \$11,000,000 WHERE MORE COIN Par's Reported \$21,000,000 for 30 Net for '43: RKO Will Top \$7,000,000

With him rentals during the lost we matthe of 1948 equalling and soppling pievois months, 20th-Fox income from domestic distribution, according to latest estimates by exceed \$85,000,000 for the year ending \$950,000 for the year ending \$950,000 for the year ending \$950,000 for the year within Xintonal Theatiers profits, before taxes, are figured at \$20,000, or better, according to final figural to the year of the year of the year of the year (RIO) of the year

averaging \$3,200,000 informity, with net operating profit of acound \$125,-900 weekly. \$100 for the pass is a nicelated for RKO. \$100 for the parent company is likely to be exceeded by a wide margin as a result of the strong showing by both the film subsid and the RKO. Theatres.

Cartoonists Yen **Quota Contracts**

Hollywood, Dec. 28.

Quoin contracts for the production of animated carctons is to be this contract of the production of animated carctons are considerated in the contract of
ticipating in the project to govern their own working time.
Position taken by cartonist leaders is that the plan would permit aritisans to again become creative aritisans to again become creative aritisans to again become creative aritisans and assembly-line worktime aritisans to again become creative aritisans and the properties of the properties of the properties of expert almosters and other classifications guaranteed regular work of expert almosters and other classifications guaranteed regular work and entire create given vacations at Hormel packing plant for years and entire create given vacations.

Sturdivant Elected To S. F. Trade Directorate

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vant, Fox West Coast's northern California division chief, to its Board of Directors. Sturdivant becomes the first repre-sentative of the motion picture or theatireal industry to be accorded such recognition.

'Tokyo,' 'Desert Song' For WB's Jan. Release

Warner Bros. is continuing its policy of selling two pictures each month, with no more than this number scheduled for January, but they are spaced so far apart on availability that they both barely fall into the same month.

ity that they both parely last the same month.

While 'Destination Tokyo' will go on general release Saturday (1), the other, The Desert Song,' will not be other, The Desert Song,' will not be made available until Jan. 29.

RUSSEL CROUSE gives out with some

'Inside Stuff On How Not to Collaborate On a Play

One of the features of the 38th Anniversary Edition of

VARIETY

(Post-War Show Business Issue) OUT NEXT WEEK

Studio Flacks Ask 15% Hike

Hollywood, Dec. 28. Members of the Screen Publicist Guild voted to demand a salary hike of 15%, starting Jan. 15, to replace the old two-year agreement with th studios, which expires on that date.

In addition to the wage increase, the flacks ask a one-week vacation after six months of employment and two weeks after one year; six days sick leave for the first half year and one day per month, accumulative, after that period; time and a half for all state and national holidays, and severance pay up to five weeks.

UA PRODUCT LINEUP **HEAVIEST IN 10 YEARS**

Heavies! line up. of product in 10 Heavies! line up. of product in 10 years is faced by United Artists, with five features ready for release, three in the editing rooms, five before the cameras and six more slated to start, shooting within three weeks. Completed are 'The Bridge of San Luis of the Town, World in the Wind of the Town, World in the Wind and 'Jack London.'

In cutting rooms are 'It Happened'

out the Town! Voice in the Wind and Jack London! "It stuffly come are 'I Happened Tomorrow'. Thinbur' and Knicker-Tomorrow'. Thinbur' and Knicker-You Went Away, 'Song of the Open Road,' 40 Thirews,' 'Up in Mabel's Room' and 'Strange Confession.' The Hairy Ang.' Senations of 1944, 'Tomorrow the World.' Here is Your Warl,' So Little Time' and 'Double Furbugh.' Features by other con-UA organization at top activity for months to come.

Col.'s 1st Quarter Net \$482.000-312G Last Yr.

49402, UUU — 3120 LdSi 11.
Columbia Flettures' net profit for
the first 18 weeks of its present fissel,
year ended last Sep. 25 totaled 8482,
000, as against \$312,000 in comparable
period a year, ando, amounted to \$1,65,000, as compared with \$989,000 in
col year, Columbia's estimated provision for Federal faxes amounted to
\$1,063,000, as against \$077,000 a year
ago.

Recording 'World'

white month.

The most state of the control of the

IS BEING SPENT

Major company production executives estimate that increased production costs, calculated around 25% higher than at any time during the past two years, are reflected only in part in improved values.

part in improved values. Estimated by top executives that if m \$200,000 in \$400,000 in the cost of top-budget films is due to slower process of production due to abover latent and maierial shortages. This condition, due to wartime limitations, is considered likely to continue for the duration.

the duration.

This, it is pointed out, that where a \$2,000,000 negative represents positive \$250,000 nore in story and production values, another \$25,000 which is spent in production which is spent in production mat times, does not show on the scene. Burnet that some \$25,000 nore of the spent of the sp

added screen values.

A survey of production cost sheets concerning some 10 top-budget pictures being made by one major company shows that budgets have been exceeded by from \$200,000 to \$400,000 in each instance.

In case of most bidgets

In case of most high budgeters it has become increasingly difficult to estimate costs in advance.

In a number of specific instances pictures budgeted at from \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000 have already exceeded appropriations by from \$300,000 to appropriations by from \$300,000 to \$500,000, with negatives not yet com-

No reduction in cost of film pro-

AL LICHTMAN EAST EN ROUTE TO LONDON

Hollywood, Dec. 28.
After several delays, Al Lichtman hauled east today (Tuesday), planning to hop to London for meeting with J. Arthur Rank who controls the Gaumont-British circuit in which

the Gaumont-British circuit in which Metro and 20th-Fox have 49% in-terest.

J. Robert Rubin, Jegalite veepee of Loew's, follows later to help Lichtman straighten out certain sit-uations with Rank.

Extras Peeved for No Singing Payoff at RKO

Extras are mifed over the failure of the Screen Actors Guild to fore payment of \$25 a day at RKO for singing in Marine Raiders.

Supes contend that day up ensured that the super contend that they are the super contend to speak lines and that should hold for humming, singing or yodeling.

Joan to Stromberg?

Hollywood, Dec. 28. Hunt Stromberg is talking a writer-producer deal with Joan Harrison, former side to Alfred Hitch

She recently left Universal wi she produced 'Phantom Lady.

NATHAN D. GOLDEN

(Chief of the Motion Picture Unit, Commerce, of the U.S.,
Dept. of Commerce)

prognosticates on the future of in the

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Pictures on 1943-44 Prod. Schedule

HOWARD DIETZ'S

Letter to His Son, John isn't just about the kid's poor school marks (which he touches on, incidentally) but has more than a few aage remarks to make about PIX MERCHANDISING

An Editorial Feature of

VARIETY'S

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Distribs Probe % 'Gyp' By Exhibs

Attorneys representing major film companies met last week aways and tor hotel, N. Y., to discuss ways and means of handling the reported H'wood Lensers losses in percentage-deal payments from exhibitors in various parts of the country.

Sales execs from the majors me the previous week under the auspices of the Copyright Protection Bureau, when complaints were aired that millions of dollars in rentals were being lost annually through underpayments on percentage con-

SEVEN INDIES SHARING STUDIO WITH GOLDWYN

Hollywood, Dec. 28.

Independent production on the Samuel Goldwyn lot reaches its peak with seven companies reuting space in addition to Goldwyn's own activ-

Seven renting outfits are Cagney Productions, Samuel Bronston, Inc., Manhattan Productions, Jules Levey Productions, International Pictures, Producers Corp. of America and An-

White Elephant Par, Omaha, Over the Top

Omaha, Dec. 28.

Omaha, Dec. 28.

Biggest year since the palmy days
of the late '20s and early '30s in
Omaha theatres. For the first time
in 15 years the Paramount, which
had been a white elephant since
opening, was unlocked tentitively
and with a policy of top pictures,
has been rolling to the best business

The theatre, which always seeme The theatre, which aways seemed to have two strikes on it, is on the fringe of the business district, up a hill and not easy to reach, but with all the war plant money in town, they are packing the house.

M-G Tradeshows 'Joe,

'B'way Rhythm' Jan. 17 Metro will hold tradeshowings of a Guy Named Joe' and 'Broadway hythm' in all exchange centers Rhythn Jan. 17. Both Both pictures will go into Metro's econd block of 12 this season.

Not Okay for Sound

Hollywood, Dec. 28. Roaring airplane motors in San Roaring airplane motors in San Fernando. Valley are causing costly delays in exterior production at the Warners and Universal studios and on the Columbia ranch, situated near training fields. Warners reports numerous halts in outdoor dialog, some lasting as long as three hours at a stretch.

Understood that Paramount will spend from \$21,000,000 to \$22,000,000 for the 30 or 31 pictures it's making for this, the 1943-44 production season, under a schedule which has been under discussion by company heads right along.

While some of the Paramount

negatives such as Lady In the Dark, 'Frenchman's Creek' and 'Story of Dr. Wassell' have been brought in at very high figures ('Lady' at near \$3,000,000, 'Creek' around \$3,500,000), company heads have reportedly managed to round out the schedule at a more comfortable average figure.

Againe.

Reported that Paramount per picture cost will run around fruiton.

to \$780,000. the Thomas-Pine unit
and the Henry Aldrich series reducing the average negative cost
appreciably.

Bulk of Par output continues in
the 'A' budget category, however,
with some top product recently
given even larger budgets than last
year.

In Big Brackets

Hollywood, Dec. 27.

Bohanza days are here for top cameramen now that all studios are tinting their big pictures. Many lensers are refusing deals up to \$1,000 weekly due to talk they will be included in package deals and rate recognition accorded stars, producers and directors in main billing.

and directors in main billing.
For first time agents are tying up front 'line cinematographers and studios are franticully trying to hold their first cameramen. In explaining the situation a top cameraman and, the studios are the situation at the considerable caution to get their stars beautifully photographed, especially in view of the fact that few new ones are being developed. The coop, public denmand for glamour improducers and the chief of the corfes to producers and the chief of the corfes to the content of the content poses a considerable difficulty upon producers and technical crafts to maintain photographic standards of these characters which change as years go by. Great trend toward color presents new problems.

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7 Will Hear Sentence Tomorrow For Extorting From Picture Chiefs

week in the \$1,000,000 film shakedown trial will be sentenced tomorrow (30) by Judge John Bright in the criminal branch of the N.Y. federal court. They are Louis Cambegua, Fifth D'Andrea, Paul. D. Louis, Franch Maritots, alleged mobi. Johnny Rossell, west coats contact for the mob. and Louis Kaufman, business manager of the contact for the mob, and Louis Kaufman, business manager of the account of the contact for the mob, and Louis Kaufman, business manager of the account of the contact o in the criminal branch of the N. Y

The trial, which began Oct. 5 and ended Dec. 23, when the jury brought in its verdict after some 10 hours of deliberation, was the longest criminal action tried in the N. Y.

federal court.

Including in their number many Hollywood film toppers, a total of 8th witnesses was called during the trial, 43 for the prosecution and 33 pages of testimony, dilling, 10 thick volumes, were heard.

When the lury returned 'tis guilty verdict last Wednesday night (3), twenty the state of
Kaufman Quits Fast Newark, Dec. 28.

Newark, Dec. 28.
Conviction of Louis Kaufman by a federal jury in New York last week was followed, less than 24 hours affected in the season of the season o agent for the local. Gehring was aponined by the union executive board and will serve until the memberality acts upon the vacancy. So the serve that the memberality acts upon the vacancy. So the serve that the serve the s

And May Best Man Win

Allu May Dest Intal Till
Hollywood, Dec. 28.
Paramount has lined up a quartet
of stars for its filmissial, Tering on
the Girls' consisting of Veronica
Lake, Marjorie Reynolds, Eddie
Bracken and Sonny Tutts.
Filming starts early next fhonth,
with Fred Kohlmar as associate producer and Sonny associate pro-

Filming starts early next month, with Fred Kohlmar as associate producer and Sidney Lanfield directing. Susanna Foster.

SWG'S RESOLUTION ON BEHALF OF NEWS GUILD

BEHALF OF NEWS CUILD.

Mar Labor Board has been petitioned by the Screen Writer Guitt or restimulation of the type the control of the control

in favor of union security for the American Newspaper Guild, CIO.

Mpls. Exhib, W.F. Frank, Cutting 'Goebbels' Film

Minneapolis, Dec. 28.
W. R. Frank, Alfred Zeisler and
Herbert Phillips, producer, director
and scenarist, respectively, or the recently completed picture, Paul Josef
Goebbels: His Life and Loves, are
here from Hollywood, This is home
of Frank who heads large independent theatre activation. theatre circuit.

of rank who heads are independed to the puring local conferences, trio is completing outling of Goebbels' and discussing next Frank picture on which production, and coording to present plans. Frank has in mind musical, Springtime in Vienna, but has not yet reached definite decision, week for New York where Frank expects to complete a deal with United Artists for Goebbels' discussions of the production of see as many plays as possible before returning to Hollywood.

Waggner Doubles Up

Malywood, Dec. 28.
George Waggner, producer of The
Climax, forthcoming musical-at-Universal, takes over the added chore of
director, originally assigned to Arthur Lubin, who has been shifted of
direct another filmusical to be produced on the same lot by John
CW Wagment

WHAT PICTURES GROSSED THE TOPS?

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WHO ARE THE NEW FUTURE STARS?

WHO ARE THE TOP DIRECTORS?

All this-facts, figures and names-in an Expert Annual Roundup in the

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TERRY (RKO) TURNER

VARIETY'S

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Link Det. Fires To Hoodlumism

Detroit Dec. 28.

On the heels of the fire which swept the United Detroit Theatres' screening room in the heart of the loop, Detroit has had two serious the atre fires within a week in which children were evacuated. In view of the rarity of theatre fires here where fire inspection laws are rigid theatre men are disturbed by the series of blazes which probably will series of blazes which probably will acall for an investigation. While the causes are varied and undetermined with the fires starting in different locations of the theatres, it is believed such an investigation would focus attention on old and out-moded equipment for which, because of the war, there has been few available replacements.

replacements.
The first fire last Wednesday occurred following the last show at the New Bagley theatre originating in the front of the house. It swept up a staircase and firemen carried out seven tenants of apartments above the house, including five small children. The early a.m. blaze destroyed the interior of the theatre as well as gutting the dwellings above.

More than 500 persons, mostly children, had to be evacuated Sat-urday afternoon from the Highland Park theatre, on Detroit's main street. The fire here started behind street. The fire here started belind the screen and was noticed by a patron who gave the alarm. Despite the large kid sudience, the ushers got the crowd from the theatre in the large kid sudience, the ushers got the crowd from the theatre in a started the suddence of th

Newark's Own Experiment

Newark, Dec. 28. Newark, Dec. 28.

In a move designed to forestall molestation of children attending theatres here, local theatre owners, after conterring with Police Judge Ernest F. Masini, plan to set aside certain sections in each house for children not accompanied by adults at holiday matinees.

at holiday matinees.

Double check against children being annoyed by seat prowlers is the
turther decision to have ushers and
other attendants testify against hoodulms found amoying children or disturbing women. Hitherto, culprits
were merely given a warning and
ghown to the door.

Holiday period is being used to test the new setup and a report on its effectiveness will be made to Public Safety Director Keenan. Un-derstood that additional safeguards will be put into effect if found neces-sary.

Wildwood's \$1,000,000 Blaze Wildwood, N. J., Dec. 28.

A spectacular \$1.000,000 blaze swept Hunt's Ocean Pier Xmas Day, destroying three theatres, an amuse-ment pier, and three blocks of busi-ness buildings and cottages.

The property was owned by for-er State Senator William C. Hunt, outh Jersey and Philly exhibitor, he Ocean Pier housed two theatres, and scores of concessions. Also ruined by the fire was Hunt's Nixon and two hotels, Ocean Park and Surfside.

A watchman was burned to death, while a fire company lieutenant died of a heart attack at the scene of the

(Continued on page 18)

Lefty, Jr., Writes to His Dad'

Here it is Christinas Eve. Just finished my act in a foxhole and am hanging around my bunk. It's hotter here than a cellar dressing room in K. Louis on a hot day. Bishing of all kinds of things. My mind travels away back to the first tree you and noom had for me, the first one I remember. I faintly remember estim if two paper-bound books. One was Robin Hood and the other 'Alice in Wonderland'. I never remember of the control of the contr

reading those books sunce, out a know the stones by heart, I am tunking strought a bottow on the half me almost must when she started fooling missed touching it every time she'd get too close. How is the little Princess? I guess she's a big gain now, must be over four. Did you iseach her a routine of soft shee yet? I could do a routine with you when I was hat I keep thinking of old Aunt Matt. I she taking care of herself? I aure did run her ragged when I was a kid, but I realize now all the swell things she did for me, when you and mom had to leave me with her when you went on the road playing those swamps and slabs for Gus Sun. Last Canteens, See that she don't work too hard, dad; she is getting older and can't take It like she used to. When I get back I wanns show her how much a she was a start of the she was a start of the work you are doing to make up for not being able to go with the gang like you did in the last war. I know there are millions like you hade home. We hear about guyz going out on strikes, trying to duck the draft and a lot of other things to furt the work gotton the strong was a strong and the she was a stron

L.A. to N.Y.

Charley Cantor.
Ed Cashman.
Roy Chanslor.
Carmen Cugat.
Jack Darrock.
Ed Gardner.
Doris Gilbert.
Eddie Green. Florence Halop. Arthur S Lyone George Sherma

N.Y. to L.A. Tom Harrington. Robert Colwell.

Studio Contracts

Hollywood, Dec. 28. Lynn Martin inked player pact

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Threatened R.R. Strike Averted. No Film Biz Tieup Now Anticipated

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various producing and distributing companies.

W. C., Ball, C., Ball state chairman, held a meeting with his group in Los Angeles last with the companies of th

'COMPROMISE' ON **'OKLA.' TITLE SUIT**

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Infringement suit brought by Theatre Guild, Oscar Hammesteid, 201the arte Guild, Oscar Hammesteid, 201the and composety respectively, of
the Broadway musical mash, Oklahoma, against Republic Pictures
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(23) in an order signed by FederalJudge Samuel Mandelbayam.
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ury, 1946. Republic also agrees to
incorporate in all ads on Vold Oklamay the settle of the court of the court of
the Proposition of the Copp.

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Further stipulated if Republic de-faults on the terms, the plaintiffs are entitled to an injunction.

Mich. Variety Club Sets Charity Fund-Raisers

Detroit Dec. 28.
At the request of retiring Chief
Barker. Charles C. Perry the Variety Club of Michigan will launch a
monthly series of activities designed
to raise a minimum of \$12,000 for the
organization's manifold charitable activities.

Perry's program will set up 12 an-nual money-raisers for the charities of the organization through such devices as seasonal feather parties, gold tournaments, ship excursions and similar projects.

Dunestre Atlanta Backer Atlanta, Dec. 28.

Jack Dumestre succeeds Harry G. Ballance as chief barker for 1944 of Tent 21 of the Variety Club of Atlanta Company of the Compa

A. K. Trend

Feeling that there is a definite swing towards screen vehicles of costume background, Universal is mulling production of Man on the Box' as a possible Deanna Durbin dim.

Play was highly successful back in the gaslight era.

Col. Execs to Coast

A. Montague, Joe McConville, Leo Jaffe, and A. Schneider, Columbia Pictures executives, head for the Coast over the weekend for confabs with prexy Harry Cohn. Jack Cohn, v.p. who will attend the meeting, already is on the Coast.

Delay Zevin Sentence

Sentencing on perjury conviction of Isadore Zevin, former secretary to George E. Browne, convicted for-mer president of the International

mer president of the International Alliance of Theatirel Stage Employ-ess, has been postponed to Jan. 3. Zevin was set to be sentenced yes-let the properties of the second properties. Zevin was indicted after testifying before the federal grand jury, prior to trial of Browne and William Bioff, anent disposition of a special as-sessment fund of \$1,500,000 collected. from members of the union

Service Employees In 100 Michigan Theatres **Voted Boosts By WLB**

Detroit, Dec. 28.

Setting up a series of progressive raises, the War Labor Board has apraises, the War Labor Board has approved a new three-year contract granting increases to service employees in more than 100 houses in the Cooperative Theatres of Michigan. The group includes most major unatfliated house; in Detroit. The-new coirract misde raises retroactive back to early October and set the scale for cashiers at \$18 in

set the scale for cashiers at \$10 in houses seating upward of 1,000 with \$2 raises on Jan. 1. Houses scating under 1,000 will be \$2 under the above rate, with raises progressing at the same pace.

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Grant's Starrer Stirs

Hollywood, Dec. 28.
Cary Grant's next starrer, 'None
But the Lonely Heart,' gets the go
signal Jan. 31 at RKO.

David Hempstead produces from script by Clifford Odets

Fancy Film Scales

Fancy Film Scales
High prices on Broadway New
Year's Eve, including a \$2.20 to
at the film houses, are taken for
granted, but theatres in what are
thought get. N. Y. suburbs are
to one such example is Proctor's
Newark, N. J., which will have
a \$2.20 top for Higher and Higher' (RKO). The building having
two theatres, both RCO, the film
with the same price scale prevailing in both.

\$2.20 Eve Scale For Pix Houses

Anticipating a large New Year's Eve business this year, Broadway first-runs are planning to charge as high as \$2.20 per head, while the lowest figure likely will be \$1.10. While the Music Hall will adhere

to its regular scale of \$1,10 top for general admission and \$1.65 for loges the same as in other years, at least three de luxers propose to get a peak of \$2.20, these being the Roxy, Par-amount and Strand. Most other theatres will range from \$1.10 to \$1.65, it is expected.

the downtown N. Y. theatres will grind through until daybreak hours, or as long as business justifies. Risto will probably go around the clock, but the Music Hall will play only a midnight show.

All theatres are expected to distribute a certain amount of free tick-ets to servicemen through the USO and other agencies.

and other agencies.
In addition to the downtown N, Y, prices, RKO, will charge \$1,10 and New Year's Eve showing of 'Higher and Higher, with first performance at 5 pm, Friday (31). Most of the houses, embracing theatres in Queens, Westchester and northern Queens, Westchester and northern exhowings of the picture of the price of the picture of the price of the picture of the pictu

A Broadway first-run engagement will come later, probably some time in January.

COL'S SHORTS SKED

Your Best Salesman

In All Markets –

See Metro. Warners Seeking Tie-In On SCA Television; RKO Ready Soon

Henigson's 60G 'Pot'?

Hollywood, Dec. 28. Henry Henigson has closed deal menry henigson has closed deal with Astor Pictures for reissue of Pot 'O Gold' in this country and England. Originally released two years ago by United Artists as a James Rosevetl Production, film costars James Stewart and Paulette Godden!

Henigson figures playback is good for a \$60,000 pickup.

RKO. UA Fail to Get Sanction From WLB For Christmas Bonuses

For Christmas Bonuses
While other major producing-distributing companies prid Christmas
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extra pay.
Universal doled out a week's sal

ary for all those earning up to \$50. Columbia, which last year gave a \$25 bond to all employees earning up to \$50, this year handed out the \$18.75 \$50, this year handed which a bond costs, le

Hollywood, Dec. 28.
Four two-reel comedies make up the shorts production program for ranging up to a week's slastly also McCullom and Jules White many for the species.

List includes two starrers by Hugh Herbert, one by Billy Gibbert and Herbert, one by Billy Gibbert and one by Une Merkel and B Feender, dependent, dep

Warners and Metro have joined the scramble by film companies to get on the islevision handwagen. Attorneys for these companies are logal reps of Arthur Levey's Sco-phony Television company to work out a deal whereby they will buy stock in Scophony Corp. of America without-hindering-prior-sights-of-outhout-hindering-prior-sights-of-bolding a substantial interest in com-pany.

pany.
United Artists, through its vice-president, Arthur Kelly, has been negotiating for weeks with Levey and his lawyers to clear the way for

negotiating for weeks with Levys and his lawyers to clear the way for that company also to buy into which many film company heads feel is the many film company heads feel is the Them of the company heads feel is the the company heads feel in the compan many other experts, that whereas home television will 'break', right after the war's end, theatre television

after the war's end, theatre television will follow soon after:
Austrian exhibited theatre television several years ago, while in its infanny, at the New York theatre. He believes it will be the declaim factor? In getting people out of their when the going gets touch in the post-war. He envisions Hollywood as the home of television. He also is convinced that, because of technical eavantages, television broadcasts will be put on film, and then exhibited both in theatres and on home sets.

NAZIS, JAPS CLAIM FILM INVENTIONS

Washington, Dec. 28.

Two pieces of new motion picture equipment are claimed by Axis coun-

tries. Tokyo announces that Toa Cinema Machine Research Lab has developed a lighter, more compact, safer projector, which it claims is 'definitely superior to projectors now in existence.' Chief feature seems to be that the shutter is moved further back in the machine, are set, out down the the machine 'so as to cut down the heat directed on the film, thus greatly

neat directed on the nim, thus greaty reducing the danger of the film's catching fire.

Berlin reports that its optical in-dustry has built a small film, slow motion camera to take 2,000 pix.per

Metro Taps 'Tussie.' Book-of-Month Seller

Metro is reported closing for the film rights to Taps for Private Tus-sic, Book-of-the-Month Club selec-tion by Jesse Stuart, published by E. P. Dutton Ladies Home Journal is to print the novel, a lusty piece on the style of 'Tobacco Road,' in one

Price for the screen rights has not been revealed but is understood to be based on book sales exceeding 400.000 copies.

Revivals Click in Can.

Local film houses grabing heavy biz on revivals of oldes. Among historieals given smelling-salt treatment were 'King Kong,' Locs Horizon. 'It Happened One Night, Naughty Marietta, 'Irene' and olders.'

Universal handed Roy William Neill a double chore as producer, series, Sherlock Holmes In Canada. Neill recently completed a director job on 'Gypy Wildeat,' starring Maria Monter.



NEXT WEEK (January 5, 1944) SHOW BUSINESS NEW YORK 19. HOLLYWOOD 28. LONDON

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8 St. Martin's Pl.

"IN THE BEST WA

Film Daily says there is no mistaking the destination of "Destination Tokyo". It's the proverbial pot of gold! Big and solid! Variety says what Warner Bros. have done for the American air heroes in "Air Force", they here achieve again for America's under-sea fighters. M. P. Herald

M. P. Herald says it will keep patrons coming to the b.o.!

FILM DAILY

Hollywood Reporter says it is a truly chartered dead-center smash! A thriller

of thrillers!... Daily

Variety says it scales
the heights of suspense
and is packed with
action to the hilt!

CARY GRANT as Captain of 'The Copperfin'

JOHN GARFIELD

as Wolf, Torpedoman 1st Class, in

DESTINATION TOKYO

NANE CLARK - ROBERT HUTTON - WARNER ANDERSON - ALAN HALE - JOHN RIDGELY: WILLIAM PRINCI

Displayed by DEIMER DAVES screen Play by Delmer Daves and Albert Maitz * from an Original Story by Steve Fisher * Music by frank Waxman

A Guy Named Joe

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ning time, 120 MLVC.
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Sanderson ('barles Smith'

In taking a fing of the spirit world, Metro hann't quite succeeded in reaching the nebulous but has more to turn out an enterphining and excellently performed peture. With Spencer Tracy and Irene Duhne contributing the marques strength and giving two of their top performances, coupled with the Manned for 'should add up to satisfactory boxoffice. In taking a fling at the spirit world,

top performances, coupled with the tipe and love story. A Gay Named and love story. Had the farman been interpreted wholly in terms of the sharp wit and visited and love story love the sharp wit and visited, and love story love to the sharp wit and visited, and of investing it with appricual stands of investing it with appricual stands and proportions. As it is, there howers over too many scenes in the sharp of the sharp o

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those he reteied things and there's we frequent stretch for laught, but we frequent stretch for laught, but we frequent stretch for laught, but we feet here's a sufficient realized of Miss Lamarr no picture can be very life of the but be entired by Miss Lamarr's beaut look; the dolls will be impressed. The camerd has one, and her clothes are also plenly evaporalized by the stretch of the stret

intended.

Direction points up the laugh situations as well as could be expected. Powell gives one of his standard performances, but occasionally overacts, while Craig, as the air-raid warden, looks and acts enough like Gable to get by.

get by.

But the question remains—what exactly did Metro mean by that title?

Miss Lamarr can be very fetchingly decollete.

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Miniature Reviews

"A Guy Named Joe' (M-G).
Fantary starring Spencer Tracy and Iren Dunne should do satisfactorily at boxoffice.

"The Reventy Body' (M-G).
William Powell and Hedy Lamarr will earry this comedy.

"Tender, Comrade' (RKO).

Tender Comrade' (RKO). Ginger Rogers in:emotional yarn geared for smash bo, 'Song of Russia' (One Song). Mr.Q). Headed by Robert Tay-for and Susan, Peters for OK bo. 'Sing a Jingle' (Songs) (U). Okay program filmusical for sup-porting slots in regular duals.

Sing a Jingle (Songs) (U.)
Okay program filmusical for supporting slots in regular duals.
The Ghost Ship' (RKO). Disappointing dualler starring Richard Dis.

'Suspected Person' (British)
(FRC). Minor dualer for aver-

"Cattle Stampede' (PRC). Dual western in 'Billy the Kid' series; 'fair b.o. 'Smart Guy' (Mono). Slow-noving pie for lower dualers.

Song of Russia (ONE SONG)
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In relations for Local 306, Moving Peture Machine Operators of N. Yer.

In fer girly years, has resigned.

He's joining the staff of The Advance, house organ for the Amilgamated Clothing workers Union.

Story takes place in London, where shore is condon, where story by Capt. Norman Krasia,

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over benefit show for a war, bond campaign, extended to the company of the compan

ward Norris and Joan Castle com-prise support.

Script is unimpressive though ade-quate, and direction by producer-di-rector Edward Lilley maintains ade-quate, tempo to hold interest for the abbreviated running time. Walt,

The Ghost Ship

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RKO release of Von Lewton production,
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Suspected Person (BRITISH-MADE)

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	duction. Features Clifford Evens, Patriola
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John. Directed by Sun New Holl. Original Robert Cline; editor, Tubrisok Tool. Al New York, N. Y. week; of Dec. 29: dual. Running time, 58 MINN. MINS Bister Crabbe
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Frances Gladwin
Charles King
Kd Cassidy Billy the Kid Fuzzy Jones. Mary Sam Dawson.... Elkins.... Turner..... Slater....

This Sigmund Neufeld production in the "Billy the Kid's series for PRG Crabbe and Al Si John are featured, with the latter's comedy providing the highlight Si John lead a group, of Oklahoma ranchers in their fight to break the rustling combine headed to break the rustling combine headed the production of the producti

Bobby Larson. Screenplay, Charles . R.
Marion and John W. Krafft, based on origo
inal by Harrison Jacobs; camera, Maci- Stengler; editor, Carl Pierson; music, Ed-
Stengler; editor, Carl Pierson; music, Ed-
ward Kay. At New York, N. Y., week Dec
14, '43, dual. Running time, 63 MINS,
Johnny Hick Vallie
Bobby Bobby Larson
Lee Veda Ann Bors
Jean Wanda McKas
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Maggie
Killhourne Paul McVes
District Attorney Addison Richards
KearnsRoy Darmous
EvansJon Dawson

Lambert Hillyer directed this one strictly according to formula. A short dasher. Slow-moving picture concerns itself with the rehabilitation of a tough who adopts' a newstory to get favorable publicity in order to beat a manufacipiter rap. Amusing angle is a manufacipiter rap. Amusing angle is a source of the control of

Religious Pix Continued from page 1

by business done at theatres. While Flesh admittedly is no outright re-ligious film, spiritual angle is high-lighted. Bernadette opened big this week in first two playdates in L.A.

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Industry exces are convinced that
the swing towards religious-spiritual
features is a normal public reflex to
the troubled aspects of the present
world situation. Others in the trade
believe that at no time has there
been a more pronounced need for
valletion; features.

been a more preligious fare.
Plus 'Song,' 20th now is making' Keys of the Kingdom' also a religious yarn. Warner Bros. will do The

Miracle. Metro, is scheduled to produce a remake of Quo Vadis, which originally was so big in the foreign territory because of speciacular as well as religion them. Same studio is set to do "The Rosary" and also Hoodium Saint" and Church of the Good Thief.

Paramount, which has no new re-

Paramount, which has no new re-ligious film in work, is making a special reissue of 'Sign of the Cross,' made in 1932, with special foreword produced by Cecil B. DeMille. Ple-ture has been on constant reissue in ture has been on constant reissue in the foreign field ever-since produced.

Practically Inseparable

Hollywood, Dec. 28.
Paulette Goddard and Fred Mac-Murray co-star again at Paramount in Practically Yours, stated for a late

WARNER BROS.' TRADE SHOWINGS OF

"THE DESERT SONG"

IN TECHNICOLOR

Starring

DENNIS MORGAN·IRENE MANNING

CITY	PLACE OF SHOWING	ADDRESS	DAY and DATE	TIME
Albany -	Warner Screening Room	79 N. Pearl St.	Mon. 1/3	12:30 P.M.
Atlanta	RKO Screening Room	191 Walton St. N.W.	Mon. 1/3	2:00 P.M.
Boston	RKO Screening Room	122 Arlington St.	Mon. 1/3	2:00 P.M.
Buffalo	20th Century-Fox Sc. Rm.	290 Franklin St.	Mon. 1/3	2:00 P.M.
Charlotte	20th Century-Fox Sc. Rm.	308 S. Church St.	Mon. 1/3	10:00 A.M.
Chicago	Warner Screening Room	1307 So. Wabash Ave.	Mon. 1/3	1:30 P.M.
Cincinnati	RKO Screening Room	Palace Th. Bldg. E. 6th	Mon. 1/3	7:30 P.M.
Cleveland	Warner Screening Room	2300 Payne Ave.	Mon. 1/3	8:00 P.M.
Dallas	20th Century-Fox Sc. Rm.	1803 Wood St.	Mon. 1/3	2:00 P.M.
Denver	20th Century-Fox Sc. Rm.	2101 Champa St.	Mon. 1/3	2:30 P.M.
Des Moines	20th Century-Fox Sc. Rm.	1300 High St.	Mon. 1/3	2:30 P.M.
Detroit	Film Exchange Bldg.	2310 Cass Ave.	Mon. 1/3	2:00 P.M.
Indianapolis	Paramount Sc. Room	116 W. Michigan	Mon. 1/3	9:00 A.M.
Kansas City	20th Century-Fox Sc. Rm.	1720 Wyandotte St.	Mon. 1/3	1:30 P.M.
Los Angeles	Vitagraph Sc. Rm.	2025-S. Vermont Ave.	Mon. 1/3	2:00 P.M.
Memphis	20th Century-Fox Sc. Rm.	151 Vance St.	Mon. 1/3	8:00 P.M.
Milwaukee	Warner Th. Sc. Rm.	212 W. Wisconsin Ave.	Mon. 1/3	2:00 P.M.
Minneapolis	20th Century-Fox Sc. Rm.	1015 Currie Ave.	Mon. 1/3	10:00 A.M.
New Haven	Warner Th. Proj. Rm.	70 College St.	Mon. 1/3	1:30 P.M.
New Orleans	20th Century-Fox Sc. Rm.	200 S. Liberty St.	Mon. 1/3	2:00 P.M.
New York	Home Office	321 W. 44th St.	Mon. 1/3	2:30 P.M.
Oklahoma	20th Century-Fox Sc. Rm.	10 North Lee Ave.	Mon. 1/3	2:00 P.M.
Omaha	20th Century-Fox Sc. Rm.	1502 Davenport St.	Mon. 1/3	1:00 P.M.
Philadelphia	Vine St. Sc. Rm.	1220 Vine St.	Mon. 1/3	11:00 A.M.
Pittsburgh	20th Century-Fox Sc. Rm.	1715 Blvd. of Allies	Mon. 1/3	2:30 P.M.
Portland	Star Screening Room	925 N.W. 19th Ave.	Mon. 1/3	2:00 P.M.
Salt Lake	20th Century-Fox Sc. Rm.	216 East 1st South	Mon. 1/3	2:00 P.M.
San Francisco	Republic Sc. Rm.	221 Golden Gate Ave.	Mon. 1/3	1:30 P.M.
Seattle	Jewel Box. Sc. Rm.	2318 Second Ave.	Mon. 1/3	2:00 P.M.
St. Louis	S'renco Sc. Rm.	3143 Olive St.	Mon. 1/3	10:00 A.M.
Washington	Earle Th. Bldg.	13th & E Sts. N.W.	Mon. 1/3	10:30 A.M.

Philly N.S.H. But 'Major,' 'Govt. Girl' OK 141/2G Each; 'Sister' Nice 18G, 2d

Philadelphia, Dec. 28. Rain on Sunday is knocking hus dents in the Christmas Week grosses in Philly deluxers. Saturday (Xmas Day) business was hefty up so the overall picture isn't as bad as it could have been

ny Goodman's orchestra is re Henry Goodman's orchestra is re-reviving an enthusiastic welcome from the hobbysovers, and teamed with 'Crime Doctor's Strangest Case' is playing to near-capacity at the Earle. 'No Time for Love,' at Boyd, is disappointing, but other new films, 'Government Girl' and 'Iron Major' are solid.

Estimates for This Week Estimates for This Week
Aldine (WB), (1303; 35-75)—Government Girl' (RKO). Okay \$18-5.
500, at regular scale. Last week,
Beil Tolls' (Par) (7th wk), nice \$9,500 at \$1,10 top for final week.
Arcadis (Sablosky) (600; 35-75)
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too good at \$4,800. Last week, Fired Wife (I) sour \$2,800, for second.

Boyd (WB) (2,500; 33-73)—No.

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'Riding' Fast \$13,000, Pacemaker in L'ville

Louisville, Dec. 28.
Biz is perking on the main stem
New top product includes 'Riding
High,' singled at Riaito and 'Lassie
Come Home,' dualed at Loew's State.
Old Acquaintance' at the Mary Anderson is also nice.
Estimates

Brown (Fourth Avenue-Loew's) (1.400; 30-56) — Fallen Sparrow (RKO) and 'Hi Sallor' (U). On moveover, moderate \$3.000. Last week, 'Jack: London' (UA) and Everybody Happy' (Col), fair \$3.000 mm 200 mm

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Solid \$6,000 Last week, Princess O'Rourke (WB) (3d. wk), healthy \$3,500.

National (Indie) (2,400; 40-65)—
Chance Lifetime (Col) and Three help of minerable was Salaga 23, healthy \$11,000 Last week. Unknown Guest (Mono) and Benny Meroff's Tunzafire' on stage, mild \$9,000.

\$8.000. Risible (Fourth Avenue) (3,400, 30-50)—Risible (Fourth Avenue) (3,400, 30-50)—Risible (Fourth Avenue) (Fourth Avenue) (Fourth Avenue) (1,400, 30-50)—Death of Hiller (U) and Lucky (Fourth Avenue) (Fo

Broadway Grosses

'Riding High' Hot 15G. K. C. Topper

Kansas City, Dec. 28.
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through after good \$10,000 opening broad-pound the (RKO) (1,501 (16-80)— Lady Tables Chance (RKO) and Chots this (RKO) (24 wk.) Pleas-ant \$10,000 after pace-setting \$12,000 or initial seals.

**Discourage of the Chots of the

"Thousands' Cheerful \$15,000 in Cincinnati

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Cincinnati Dec. 22.
Thousands Cheer's 4th Palace in Place in P

Tarzan's Desert Mystery' (RKO), All right \$5,500, Last week, Butler's Sister' (U) (3d run), nice \$4,500, Lyric (RKO) (1,400; 35.65)—Son Dracula' (U) and 'Mad Ghoul' (U) 22d wk), Hefty \$5,000 after big \$7,000 teeoff.

teeoff.
Palace (RKO) (2800; \$5-65)—
Palace (RKO) (2800; \$5-65)—
Thousands Cheer (M-G), Strong \$15,000. Last week, Whistling, Brook-lyn' (M-G), off key, \$10,000.
Shubert (RKO) (2,100; \$5-65)—
Whistling Brooklyn' (M-G). Moveover. All right \$4,500. Last week,
Jack London' (UA) (2d run), about \$2,500, or near.

'No Love' Leads Buff. With Terrif \$20,000;

'Top Man' Dandy 15G Burlao, Dec. 28.
All theatres snapped back into stride with the arrival of the holidays. Tops is No Time for Love at Great Lakes. Top Man' is next in total coin with rousing week at the Latayette.

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No Time for Love' (Par) and Aldrich Haunis House' (Par) and Aldrich Haunis House' (Par) and Aldrich Haunis House' (Par) and Paris After Dark' (20th), silicated the Company of
\$7,000.

Lafayette (Basil) (3,300; 35-65)—
"Top Man' (U) and 'Fired Wife' (U).
Dandy \$15,000. Last week, 'Corvette K-225' (U) and 'Gals; Inc.' (U), soft

'Girl Crazy' Omaha's Best at Wham \$11,500

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'Acquaintance' Boffo \$30,000, Frisco; '3 Girls' 12G, 'Gang Here' 29G, Okay

Key City Grosses

N. Y.)
Total Gross Same Week
Last Year\$2,687,700
(Based on 23 cities, 168 theatres)

'Major'-Fio Rito 21G, Pitt. Ace

Pittsburgh Dec 28, month of December is continuing right into Stans and the Common of
at the Fenn. Elsewhere, it's just 50-50. Estimates for This Week 7 gains Sife of This one but sad \$4,500 is likely Last week Mad Ghoul 'Ul and 50n Dracula' (U) not bed, at 10 gains of This one but sad \$4,500 is likely Last week Mad Ghoul 'Ul and 50n Dracula' (U) not bed, at 10 gains of This one but sad \$4,000 is likely Last week 7,000 so the This Sife of This one of This Sife of

pointind. Last week. Northern Pursait (WB) down under at 38 May (WB) down under at 38 May (WB) down under at 38 May (WB) (800; 30-80). "Last week, come Home," (Arc) (3d wk). Move-over from thin \$2.200. WB), via some form the second of the s

'Riding.' High \$14,000. Pacing Better Mpls.; 'Chance' Wow at 11G

Minneacolis, Dec 28.
Grosses-here are darting, a comeback this week following a sharp pre-Christmas slump. The holiday for the common state of the com-position of the common state of the chance, 'Riding Right' and 'Old Ac-countiance,' Important newdomers, all regarded highly, 'Riding Right', all regarded highly, 'Riding Right', renthy,' Tansportation difficulties, caused, by reduced street car and but services along with gasoline ra-tioning, are still boxofice head-matic and the common state of the com-position of the common state of the com-position of the common state of the com-position of the common state of the com-toning are still boxofice head-matic common state of the common state of the com-position of the common state of the com-toning and the common state of the com-toning state of the common state of the common state of the com-toning state of the common state of the common state of the com-toning state of the common state of the common state of the com-toning state of the common state of the Minneapolis, Dec. 28.

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iftere Comes Eimer' (U), great 525,000.

St. Francis (F-VP) (1478; 5-578).

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Aldrich Haunts House (Fer) and South Seas Rhythm' (U), plus, on stage, Merry Christmas Foliaciton' (WB), plus Hollywood Blackston' (Fernal S20,000.

And Jack Tegagarden orch supplanting Truth or Consequences and Jack Tegagarden orch supplanting Truth and vaude, great \$23,000.

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Stout \$15,000 Last week, sock \$12,000.

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'Sister' Tops Denver, Fat \$22,000, 2 Spots; 'Riding' Tall at 111G

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Despite his Deriver, Dec. 28.

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Hub Up But Still Off; 'Lady' \$20,000, Alone Big, 'Maisie' N.G. 27G. 2 Spots

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'Riding'-Vaude High Stepper in Chi. \$54,000; 'Thousands' Cheerful at 23G

with the week before Christmas alump behinder healthy receipts this week. New pictures opened in which were than half of door to the State-Late week. New pictures opened in his week. New pictures opened in his state-Late was allowed by the state of the

arboy headed by Dorothy Donegan, in 18,000, in 18,100,
Herman Tilts 'Muggs' To Hot \$23,000, N'wark; 'Riding' 19G, Ace Film

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Newark, Dec. 28.
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day. Last week. Man Music Mountain (Rep.) puls Low Matters' Latin (Rep.) puls Low Matters' Latin (Rep.) puls (Ph. 1980), 38-30)—Old Renathera (WB) (2.300, 38-30)—Pathon (WB) (2.300, 38-31)—Pathon
State (Loew's) (2.600; 30-85)— Dood It' (M-G) and 'Doctor's Strangest Case (Col), Staunch \$17, 600. Last week, 'Heat's On' (Col) and Something About Soldier' (Col), ng. \$13,000

'Happy'-'Crazy House Grand \$23,000. B'klyn

Leader in downtown sector is RKO.
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in second sessions.
Estimates for This Week
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Happy Land (2016) and "Crazy.

House' (II). Fins \$22,000. Last week, Claudia (20th) and Cangaway Tomorrow (RRO), nifty \$28,000. Fox (Tablan) (4,022; \$8.75).—Saccess (Co) (3d wk). Nice \$21.50. Last week, strong \$28,000. Last week, strong \$28,000. Last week, great \$350,000. Last week, dandy Strafe (WB) (2,082; \$3.75).—In Old Oklahonia (Rep.) and Whitspering Footsper, (Rep.) Dandy \$3500. and Deerslayer' (Rep.) clay \$5,000. and Deerslayer' (Rep.) (c) \$450,000. and Deerslayer' (Rep.) (c) \$450. Special \$

LAND' HAPPY \$32,500, DET.

With a double holiday for the weekend, Detroit is showing an improvement currently over recent downbeat. However, there still is some jittery teeling locally on whether the boom grosses for the past-two season.

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Mulbian (United Detroit) (4,000; 55-75)—No. Time for Love (Par) 55-75)—No. Time for Love (Par) and 'Aldrich Haunts House (Par) (2d wk). Holdover helped by great weekend to land \$22,000; seat, to fop last week's \$21,000.

Talma-State (Unit. Life (Par) and (1,000; 55-75)—Toldover (1,000; 55-75)—

Interest after last week's 0kay \$17,000 United Aritsts (United Detroit) (2,000; 55-75)—Lassie Come Home' (M-G) and 'Apache Trail' (M-G) (2d wk), Will tuck a strong \$17,000 be-hind first week's good \$18,000.

'Government Girl' Fat \$18,000 in Mild Wash.

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Metopolita (WB) (1,260; 30:55)—

Earle (WB) (2,272; 30:75)—

Palace (WB) (2,272; 30:75)—

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Palace (1,272; 30:75)—

First Runs on Broadway

(Subject to Change)
Week of Dec. 30
Aster—'Cry Havoc' (M-G) (6th

Astor—Cry risvoc (Mee) (Reviewed in 'Variety' Nov. 10). Capitol—'A Guy Named Joe' (M-G) (2d week). (Reviewed in current issue). Criterion—'His Butler's Sister' (Y) (29).

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(Reviewed in Variety Oct. 13)
Falamount—Ridin (High (Par)
(2d week).

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(2d week).
(Reviewed, in 'Variety' Nov. 19)
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(RKO) (2d week).
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Strand. — Destination Tokyo (WB) (31). (Reviewed in 'Variety' Dec. 22) Victoria — The North Star' (RKO) (9th week). (Reviewed in 'Variety' Oct. 13)

'Lassie' Bright \$20,000 In Prov.; 'Butler's Sis,' 'Govt. Girl' 141G Each

Providence, Dec. 28.
With Christmas holidays throws in, all spots are fairly healthy, with the State's 'Lassie Come Home' leading the list. Also high is Majestic's 'His Butler's Sister' and RKO Albee's 'Government Girl.'

Estimates for This Week Estimates for This Week
Albee (RKO) (2,300; 30:50)—'Government Girl' (RKO) and 'Never
Dull Moment' (U). Nice \$14,500.
Last week, 'Son Dracula' (U) and
'Mad Ghoul' (U) fair \$9,500.

Carton (CU), Tair \$9,500.

Carton (Fay-Loew) (1,400; 30-50)

Old Acquaintance (WB) (3d downlown wk). Good \$3,500. Last week, Jack London (UA) and Man Down Under (M-G) (2d run); so-so \$2,500.

week, 'Jack London' (UA) and 'Man Down Under' (GH') Gd run'), 38-30 Down Under (GH'), 3

B'way on Upbeat: 'Riding'-T. Dorsey \$80,000, 'Gang's'-J. Dorsey-Robinson 113G, 'Guy Joe'-Vaude 70G, All Sock

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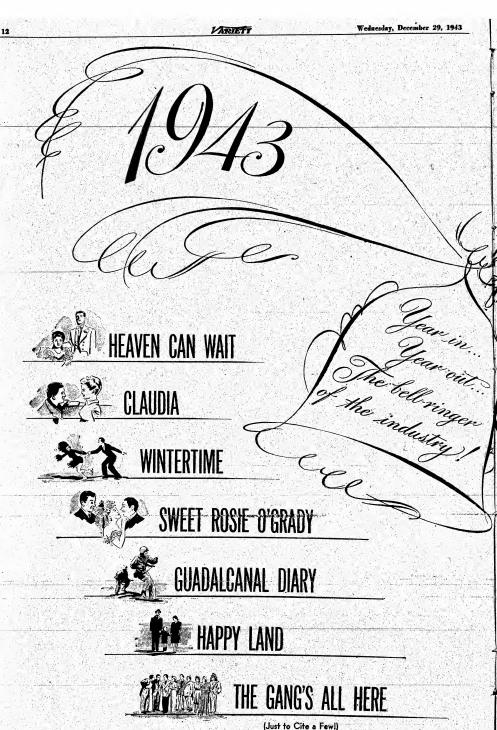
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theatres are dong terrific with new shows, other houses are sportly this whose, other houses are sportly this show, other houses are sportly this of terrific. The day (Shatuday) was strong generally, with exceptionally found that the town of the strong enerally. With exceptionally found that the strong of the strong enerally should the strong energy of the strong energy through the strong energy th

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Balto Bopped By Bliz But 'Flesh' \$14,000, 'Gang's Here' 12G, Both OK

Baltimere, Dec. 22.
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THE PURPLE HEART

THE EVE OF ST. MARK



and more!

Tommy Dorsey Orch (30) will Gene Krupe, Betty Brewer, Teddy Walters, The Sentimentalists (4) Paul Regan, Edwards Sisters (2) Ridin' High' (Par) Reviewed in Variety, Nov. 10, 43

Home High Levy Receives we ware very long to the band give to the control of the

and Buddy Rich exited for G. I. assignments. Krups got a rousing reception and knotted things up to the
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Baltimore, Dec. 26.

Yest, Singers. (6), Dodson's Monkeys. Ted & Fio Valet, Paul Lavarre
& Bro, Leon Navarra, Felice Iula
and House Orch. (12); What a

Woman' (RKO).

end House Orch (12); "What a Women' (REO)."

Other States and the Control of the tire works. Biz pretty good. Burm.

Tower, K. C. Kansas City, Dec. 24. ackstone; Buckskin Frontier

P 100 Blackstone comes back this week Blackstone comes back this week to mystify Tower patrons with 50 minutes of top-notch how you see it, now you don't entertainment. With schools dismissed for Christmas vacationing, the juves are crowding

the house. The show still includes in many of the time-tried effects which battle the attributed to the still includes in the still include in the still inc

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State, N. Y.

George Auld Orchestra (15) with
Ann Salloway, Lucienne & Ashour,
Phil Brito, Johnny Burke, 'As
Thousands Cheer' (M-G).

State stage show for the holiday

State stage show for the holiady week is a pleasant layout devoid of mane value, but coupled with the former value, but coupled with the hole of the pleasant layout the last a long run actual the way, at the Astor, two-day, should turn, up near enough business. Georgie Auld's orchestra, a new combination playing its first Broadway theatre dail, occupies most of good-looking young tenor sax player centry discharged by the Army, has the makings of a really fine barre with the completely good of the player of the day one trumpet and substitute of the completely good outful. Despite, circumstances the band does a good job. With only three acts to accomplant, when we had been completely good outful. Despite, circumstances the band does a good job. With only three acts to accompany.

compressey one country. Pelpide, Offi-With only three acts to accompany, Aut's group gets plenty chances on its own. Virtually all of them are favors, but because of his singer, Ann Salloway, and the pops done by Phil spacest. However, the jump materials the hand played here was not as good where. Aut'd's drummer has a habit of getting on top of the best, result-or getting on top of the best, result-ry the leader himself, are the only real criticisms that can be levelled Aut'd featured Body and Soul' with Aut'd featured Body and Soul' with

Hoxy, N. Y.
Jimmy Dorsey Orch (18) teith
Kitt Kutter Peut Cartey, Bill Robinson, Bestries Scoler, Bill Archiinson, Reviewed in Variety Dec.
1, 43.

Roxy packs a lot of fast entertainment into its 50-minute holiday stage is a lot. The control of
ing in a sliffness that and a street of the spolause jacquot. Here's a cuty that and a sol of Body and South who has made a science of partialfills, including the street of the street

okay style, but chanteuse would go over better by paying more attention to musical detail. Intonation is good but phrasing could be improved.

Cliff Leemans gots a good workout on the skins, working off picuty of drive and furnishing a nice kiek.

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Capitol, N. Y.

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from the usually click Ragland rou-lists. Alpron. Miss. Walter and Miss. Grayson are reviewed more extensively under New Acts. Himber and his crew are spotted twice, with the 'Halleulah' opener and 'Jersey Bounce' at the midway mark, both effectively arranged. House was capacity Thursday night (23).

Embassy, N. Y. (NEWSREELS)

It takes some remarkably graphic pictures of the VIIA Army full pictures of the VIIA army ful

(Continued on page 36)

Rodgers Cites Industry's Better Co-op on Distributing Gov't Pix

William F. Rodgers, retiring chairman of the distribution division of the War Activities Committee, who was succeeded to this post yesterday was succeeded to this post yesterday (Tues.) by Ned E. Depinet, in his report to the WAC stated that the outstanding WAC achievement during the past year has been the im-Government films,

Government films.

He pointed to the increase in the circulation of war films from 12,500 to 13,900, out of a total of 18,400 pledged theatres, and noted the better understanding by everyone in the distribution field of their responsibilities in this matter.

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every theatr in those circuits.

Distribution heads of all major companies were present at the WAC meeting at the Hotel Astor, N. M. Companies, at the Hotel Astor, N. M. Companies, at the Hotel Astor, N. M. Companies, and the Hotel Astor, N. M. Companies, and thenderson M. Richey, his assistant. Depinet, in accepting the post as chairman of the WAC distribution committee declared that the first thing on his agenda would be the Fourth Way, N. Pe said, and the distribution end of the industry Fire aposition to do much to make the goal of a Sound for Every Seat' possible.

Rodgers, who is retiring as chair-

possible.

Rodgers, who is retiring as chairman of the distribution committee due to pressure of business, said that his retirement 'Does not mean that I'm retiring from the WAC. The WAC is still the industry's No. 1 job and No. 1 responsibility.

White-Collarites' Union Status to Get Airing

Hollywood, Dec. 28. Question of union affiliation of 2. 500 white-collar workers will be definitely settled in Miami next month at a meeting of the American Federation of Labor's Executive Council, when action is to be taken on an International Union for clerical

workers.

As a preliminary step to organization of a National Council, a Federal
Union will be set up, but AFL officials express doubt that such an outfit will be international in scope.

Screen Office Employees Guild,
with 2,000 members, is now affiliated
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move deemed as necessary strengthen bargaining power.

Plenty of Camp Show Material in Folio 13 Washington, Dec. 28.

Folio 13 issued by the Army Spe cial Services for use of men in servjee samps includes, original sketcheis bt. 4t. H. Aday, Jt. 70m Hubbard and Lt. Bob Bumbas, and a radio adaptation by Anne Barley of Edward Evereit Hale's 'Man Without a Country'. Also included are 'Fibber Country'. Also included are 'Fibber Durfy's and Noby'. Burns and Allen, 'Durfy's and Solivy Burns and Allen, 'Durfy's and of the material is from the Bollywood, Jranch of the Special Service division, and the Second Service division, and the Second by the Westignand. It was gathered by the Westignand. ice camps includes original sketche

Service Command. It was gathered by the Writers' War Board subcom-mittee on scripts for soldiers and sallors, of which Dorothy (Mrs. Richard) Rodgers is chairman.

EVE MERRIAM'S

Confession of An Anti-Nazi Moviegoer'

A Highlight in the 38th Anniversary Issue of

OUT NEXT WEEK

F-WC Shutters 2 In 1c Tax Protest

Fox-West Coast is shuttering two heatres for a couple of days in Redondo beach town near here as protest against the 1c per admission tax recently voted by city council. Technically, the temporary shutdown is explained as a breathing spell during which houses will arrange for collection of tax, which they have been absorbing thus far but will not pass on to the public

on to the public.

Meanwhile, F-WC is buying page ads in local newspapers, urging repeal of ordinance. Tax is declared discriminatory and oppressive because it hits only theatres, dancehalls and fishing barges, and leaves other retail enterprises untouched.

N.W. Indie Exhibs Look Upon Steffes' 'Unity' Idea Coldly Minneapolis, Dec. 28:

The proposed 'plan' of W. A. Steffes to eliminate present friction be-tween this territory's independent exhibitors and distributors and create greater unity within the industry is receiving the cold shoulder from many theatre owners and thus far, apparently, has not evoked any large amount of enthusiasm among

the indie exhibitors. the inde exhibitors. Plan calls for the establishment of a 'grievance committee' or two by Steffer' new independent exhibitors' union,' organization, and involves disclosure of a theaties' records and opening of books to the committee when a complaint against film prices, percentage terms or insulfacient adjustment is filled with it.

The idea of throwing open books The idea of throwing open books to competitors and distributors doesn't appeal at all to many of the competition of the competi

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Steffes plan practical.
In the meanwhile, however, Steffes and his cohorts are going right land properties of the proper

VARIETY Santa Crossed

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St. Louis, Dec. 28.

The surprise party that attaches of Loew's two houses here
fixed up last week for Rex Williams, city manager, had one
more surprise than was planned.
The employees in the two houses
chipped in and purchased \$100
worth of gifts for Williams with

worth of gitts for Williams with the intention of presenting them at a dinner party given at a downtown hote!

A short while before the dinner got underway the committee that was to have made the presentation discovered that all of the gitts had been copped from the ushers' room at Loew's.

SAG Bans Extra **Work for Members**

Hollywood, Dec. 28.

Board of directors of the Screen Actors Guild has advased actors no do carried with the second of the second control of the second co

GREER AS SCHENCK AIDE IN POLIO DRIVE

Hollywood, Dec. 28, Joseph M. Schenck will be Cali-ornia state chairman of the annual Joseph M. Schenck will be California state chairman of the annual Infantile Paralysis Fund campaign Jan. 15-30 with Greer Garson as head of the committee representing for the film studios, exclusive of the atree, is \$50,000. Mary Pickford will function as national women's chairman in the campaign, and Frances Langfort and 20th Hope will "optenent the radio division as co-chairment.

Detroit's War Chest Pitch 25% Over '42

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Detroit Dec. 28.
An increase of 25% over last year's contribution to the War Chest by the Abex Schreiber, chairman of the industry drive. With every exchange authorized this year by the home of-faces to make the local contributions, the War Chest drive produced \$41.000, as compared to \$82.300 last year, over its quotic, despite the increase in the War Chest budget. The projectionists this year pooled their individual contributions and made them through the IATSE to the film industry's collection.

U. S. Rollcall

Albany, N. Y. Dec. 28.
Bill Gaddoni, Metro salesman and a father, Army. He is the first salesman drafted here since Morris Cohn, of Columbia, was taken almost three years ago, Cohn was relessed, only to be recalled after the Japanese altack on Pearl Harbor.

Electrical Union Creates Strike Threat for All Hollywood Crafts: Cameramen Have Their Own Ideas

JACK LAIT

Reminisces on '25 YEARS AGO'

when he was head of

A Feature of the VARIETY

(Post-War Show Business Edition)

OUT NEXT WEEK

War Vets Must Get More 'Extra' Calls

Hollywood, Dec. 28. Protests are piling up at Central Casting from extras honorably mus tered out of service who complain they are not getting a fair shake on studio calls. Demands of producers and directors for younger supes is making it difficult for the older players to get more than an occasional

Howard Philbrick, head of Central, has ordered war vets be given as many call, as possible.

24 More Army-Made Films Scheduled: 2 More Per Mo. Follows Washington, Dec. 28

Listing of 24 Army-made films for screenings to war workers has just been announced by the Industrial Services Division of War Dept. Public Relations, with a promise of two more pix each month.

Folder announces the motion Folder ann ounces the motion picture screen has proved to be a powerful medium for bringing to the men and women of America's war industry up-othe-minute reports of the progress of this war and the battle performance of American's mars and equipment. The War Department invites you to join American's appropriations in regularly showing Army lastions in regularly showing Army the property of the progress of the p

Every month from now on, two new motion pictures will be ready for release—a new Film Communi-que each month plus another sub-ject of up-to-the-minute interest to your war workers.

your war workers!

Available pix include four of Lt.
Col. Frank Capra's Why We Fight
series—"Prelude to War, "The Nazi
Strike," 'Divide and Conquer' and
Battle of Britain—and the new
War. Department Report.' Most of
the 'remainder are shorts ranging
from 6-20 minutes.'

Army has set up film exchanges in 300 cties to handle distribution of the films which will be 16mm.

Nipping the Nasty Nips

tack on Pearl Harbor.

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Pittsburghers Marching

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Bob Dench, of Jecapades' team of Dench and Stewart, Army,

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Thousen Martines.

Loder's 'Ape' Chore

Hollywood, Dec. 28.
First freelance job for John Lodersince his exit from Warners will be in "The Hairy Ape," remake of the Eugene O'Neill play to be produced by Jules Levey for United Attists. Alfred Santell is director, with picture edition this week. ture rolling this week.

Threat of a strike by all AFL studio crafts is hanging over Hollywood as Local 40 of, the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers is a close of a 30-day coling-off period. Claim is made that Instructions from the War Labor Board are so vague and confusing that the strike ballot in the strike ballot in the strike ballot. He was the control of the strike ballot. He was the control of the strike ballot. He was the control of the strike ballot. He was the strike ballot in the strike ballot. He was the strike ballot. He was the strike ballot. He was the strike ballot in the strike ballot. He was the strike ballot in the strike ballot. He was the strike ballot in the strike ballot. He was the strike ballot in the position such an election would be undarit to the strike ballot with studies undoubtedly would vote undarit to the strike ballot. For that reason the IBEW attempting to get the situation clarified before a date for member-all speeds of Local 40 is in touch with w.H.B. officials in Washington as well as the IA International. Definite uning on strike vote procedure is expected to be received this was a well as the IA International. Definite conditions that the strike vote procedure is expected to be received this was caused in all technical branches of the international that the strike was the cause it did not get an increase when minimums of other unions were boosted in all technical branches of the international of the strike was a constant of the strike was a second of the strike was a se

Cameramen

tors, who have advanced in salary.

Only exception has been the top commenses. So, of whom have been considered to the constraints of the phase constraints of the phase constraints of the phase constraints of the constrain

production.

Some cameramen also are insisting on guarantee they be allowed to select their own crews before they will sign new personal contracts. Union officials say situation fast developing into race between studios to get top cameramen under long-term contracts.

Distribs Retain 40-Hr. Week in Dallas, Indols.

Week in Dallas, Indpls.

Distributions will not be forced to adhere to in Dallas, and Indianagolis too areas recently added to the labor shortage list belies and Indianagolis too areas recently added to the labor shortage list by the War. Manpoolis on the labor shortage list by the War. Manpoolis on the labor shortage list by the War. Manpoolis on the main street of the labor workweek schedule.

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Applications for timilar exeemptions in Prough their one-sense committee, C. J. Scolland, executive saistant to Nell F. Agnew. vp. over sales for Paramount.

General Paramount.

Washington, Burdshington, Burdshingto

Carrington Succeeds

Conrow As Altec Prez

Controw As AIRC Free.

G. L. Carrington, former vp. of Alec Service Corp., theatres service to the company succeeding the late L. W. Conrow who died recently. Carrington is also president of Altec Lansing Corp. of Indivoced and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Altes Service. Formerly stationed and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Altes Service. Formerly stationed acculaively in Hollywood, Carrington will divide his time between 0x-X and the Const.



'Bell's' Tamous Seven!

(More Awards Than Any Other 1943 Production!)

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BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS

BEST PHOTOGRAPHY (Technicolor)

ONE OF 5 BEST MALE STARS

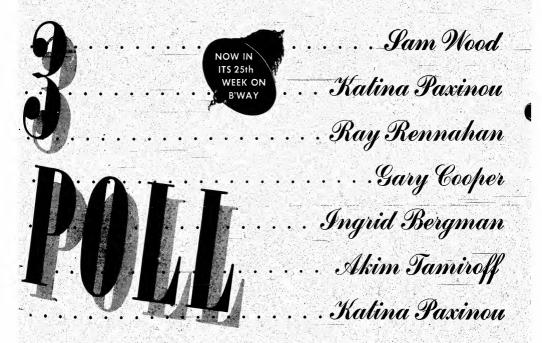
ONE OF 5 BEST FEMININE STARS

ONE OF 5 BEST SUPPORTING ACTORS .

ONE OF 5 "FINDS" OF THE YEAR . .

In Film Daily's Nationwide Vote For The "FAMOUS FIVES" Of 1943, America's Film Critics Honor One Great Motion Picture Above All Others, With *Three Tops* And A Total Of *Seven Different Awards*...To

Paramount's "FOR WHOM THE BELL TOLL5"



Warners' Junket to New London On 'Destination Tokyo,' a 'Sub' Base 0.0.

Wey Harboid M. Booke.

New London, Conn. Dec. 22.
This story is being field efrom New London, the naval treining town where an guy with the gold men and the ballyhoo junket indicator and this ballyhoo junket indicator and the sound that
talls were pretty much according, to the Assay spec-grabbing stunt. WB arranged for a tour of the base by reper, and mag writers, and the event hurse of the services for the services. Season the services of the services. Season stands the administrate Porposite Stands the administrate Stands the Stands

where trainees learn to, do a rouding via the escape hatch of a sunken sub. It's a fough test for the lads and some fall by the wayside. Be-cause of the stiff, requirements, a large percentage of candidates never even get to first base (no pun on sub quarters): After a glimpse of a captured Jap

After a glimpse of a captured Jap.

Www.man sub, group hit the administration and, instruction building maned after Commander Howard W. Glimore, here who won the Navyl Medal of Home Brand Commander Howard W. Glimore, here who work the Navyl Medal of Home Brand Commander Howard W. Grand Witnessed firing procedure of toppedo tubes, Entertainment at Sub-marine Base Officers' Club restured a cockuli session, attended by Rear Admiral President A. Daubin, Com-Fleet; a display of stills snapped on sub missions; susper; and showing of sub missions; supper; and showing of 'Destination' at base theatre,

While it was not one of WB's big-While it was not one of WP's big-gest bally aunts by any means, this one rates a bow for the interesting data presented to the visiting fire-data presented to the visiting fire-spineered, the junket for Warner on the N.Y. end, with Abe Kroeneberg handling the New London sector. Commander Don McGregor did a nice job as, public relations Ilaison for the base.

SISTROM'S 'O'SULLIVAN'

SISTROM'S 'O'SULLIVAN'
Hollywood, Dec. 28.
Joseph Sistrom has the producer
chore on 'Make Way for 'O'Sullivan',
Miles Connolly story recently purchased by Paramount.
Currently Sistrom is filming 'Incendiary Blonde' and 'The Hitler
Gang' and has 'Girls' Town' in prepgration.

will have the entire 50th anniversary of the first motion picture exhibition lossed to him, since only prelim details of campian, have been. The PRC committee will handle all details of the film business eclbration of the anniversary of the initial showing of a motion picture starting next March. Tentative plans call for pristuitudinal publicity, radio programs and other bally to deserve the events.

LEO WILL ROAR FOR M-G AT LEAST ONCE A YEAR

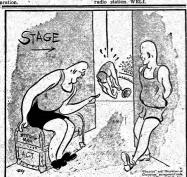
Metro is launching a campaign among field forces to ensure that Leo the Lion appears on the screen of every theatre in the country at least

Special Promotion Hypos 'Old Oklahoma' in Keys

Old Oktanoma in Keys Special promotion by Republic and local managers to supplement newspaper advertising radio spot time and billboard campaigns, is helping 'Okiahoma'. This additional promotion has spelled added busi-ness even during the pre-Xmas Jull which prevailed this year in virtu-

ness even during the pre-Xmas Juli which prevailed this year in virtu-ally all key cities.
Recent examples of what it near Recent examples of what it near the control of the control of the North of the control of the North of the control of the pioped taxical cards, banners on newspaper trucks, window cards and special restaurant place cards, and special restaurant place cards, figure cards with the music depart-ments plugging tunes from the pla-ter of the control of the cards of the cards of the special results of the cards of the cards of the music depart-ments plugging tunes from the plaments plugging tunes from the plc-

· In New Haven Jim Darby of the Paramount backed his booking with special ads in the Italian-language newspaper and Yale News Digest. He also used special cards in hotel lobbies and spot announcements on radio station WELI.



"McCuire, your hiding his Wheaties before the performance is the greatest practical joke of th' year."

Dire things can happen when blitzed. No less catastrophic for people are hereft of their Wheat-less Children mope. Husbands look are less Children mope. Husbands look colly at wives. Domestic bliss is hand over the Wheaties).

VARIETY LAURENCE SCHWAB

-No Cheesecake!

An editorial feature of the 38th Anniversary Edition of

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OUT NEXT WEEK

Tote-Your-Own

en met with the pointed suggestion customers bring their own li-inasmuch as niteries don't ex-

quor, inasmuch as niteries don't expect to have much on hand.
New Year's Eve in U. S. niteries; promises to be the biggest ever, despite wartime shortages of liquor, etc. Throughout the land spots report larger reservation lists than last year, many being booked solid for the Eve weeks ago.

Chi's 'Eve' Charges

Chirs Eve Charges

Chicago, Dec. 28.

Despite an unprecedented demand for New Year's Eve reservations, many night spots are charging even less than allowed by the OPA price many night spots are charging even these than allowed by the OZA price the state allowed by the OZA price this price allowable. Camellia Bouse of the Drake hotel tops the list at \$18 per person. Empire Room, the Camellia Rouse of the Drake hotel tops the list at \$18 per person. The Proper Others, are Walnut Room, Blumarch Cheek, \$10 exert. Bluckshowk, are need at \$1220 per. Others, are Walnut Room, Blumarch Cheek, \$10 exert. Bluckshowk, \$150. Cheek, \$120 exert. Bluckshowk, \$150. Cheek, \$120 exert. Bluckshowk, \$150. Cheek, \$120 exert. Bluckshowk, \$150. Exert. Blucks

Reopening for the Big Kill

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IN N. Y. the bonance promises to
help places like the Folde Bergere
which closed down because of financial difficulties, but reopened just inFoldes general to the Color of the
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posting a one-week, pay guarantee
with AGVA.
Despite licture shortages, and abssence of noisemakers in many night
is figured to be one of the wettest
as well as noiseist in years. Maior
cafes are drawing upon their booze
reserves to slupply the evening's deshape as far as catering to needs of
celebrants.

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However, some of the tonien holel dining rooms and restaurants will batter at 10 pm. to conserve spirit dining rooms and restaurants will batter at 10 pm. to conserve spirit of the Society of Restauratevars will coke after the dinner hour, according to Paul Henkel, president. They gave that most of the last trade for the conserver of the last trade bons and acotteries but little of the expensively priced champagnes and wines, and consequently will have little left to take care of their registration of the care of their registration of the consequently will have been con all the more necessary as later ab sences of liquor will seriously inter fere with food business.

Hoodlumism

Continued from page 4 g fire. The theatres were closed at the time the blaze struck.

Police Chief, 70, Confes

Police Chief, 70 Confesses
Goloma, Mich., Dec. 28.
Say what you like about juvenile delinquency and kid hoodiumlam being a headache to theater owners with the confessed to State authorities that he was the one win set the fire which will be seen to be s

Metro-Slates 5-Day N. Y. Meeting Next Week; Other Theatre-Exchange Briefs

Ways and means of meeting the present emergency, methods for the present emergency, methods for the present emergency, methods for the present emergency methods for the present emergency and the present emergency and phases of branch operations and phases of branch operations that must be discussed at a five-day meeting of Mero traveling auditors and allowed present the present of the present the pr

wood, france dealers; ization.
Henry Nathanson, general manager of Regal Films, Ltd., Metro distributing subsidiary Catacons, the condition of the conference Toron for the conference with William F. Rodgers,—general Metre sales

Other Realignments

Three Metro exchange zones for-merly comprising the district headed by Harris P. Wolfberg, who recently resigned, will be split between two other districts. Cincinnati and Indianapolis ter-

other districts.

Cincinnai and Indianapolis territories will be sadded to the zone
handled by John P. Byrne, now including Detroit Buffalo, Pittsburgh
with Wolfberg had, will be added
to the district under the super

Wexe's 11-Theatre Division

Wexo's 11-Theatre Division

E. L. Alperson, general manager

RKO 'Theatres, last week upped

Siguard Wexo from manager of the

Midway, Forest Hills, to RKO 'The
atres division manager in the Louis

Goldberg zone. Wexo started with

RKO as an usher, Hls division in
cludes 11 houses,

Bud Gray Goes to Par

Bud Gray Gees to Far
Pittsburgh, Dec. 28.
Bud Gray, exploitation man for
RKO, joined Par as district advertising manager in the southern division. He's working out of Atlanta.
State theatre in Wilkinsburg was

R. Buermele has been appointed Detroit office manager for United Artists. He succeeds Ralph Forman,

Howard Chisholm, Paramount's booker in the Dallas office, has been transferred to Washington, D. C.

Buffalo Varlety Relects
Warlety Club of Buffalo, Tent, 22, 71
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barkers Irving Freed, treasure, and
elegates are Elmer F. Lux and
Raiph Maw, with Constantiu J. Basil
and Whiteman as alternates. Robert
national directorate.

- Two Coast Deals

Two Coast Deals
Los Angeles. Dec. 28.
Standard Enterprises bought the
Railot cheatre in downtown Los Angeles from the Fay Securities Co. for
\$300,000
Grover Smith, operator of four
film houses in this sector, bought the
York theatre from George Alderman.

Film Classics Package Trim Classics Fackage
Twin combo of 'Hara Kari' and
Young in Heart' has been booked
from Film Classics, indie distributor,
by RKO Metropolitan circuit.
Pair of films start in about 60 N. V.
and Brooklyn houses starting on
Jan. 18.

Wright Goes to Cleve
John C. Wright, Paramount salesman in Cleveland office, goes to Cincinnati to replace William Twig.

Brandts Get Another B'way House Brandis Get Another Bway House With acquisition of the Abbey, N. Y., renamed Manhattan, Horderful becomes operator of four Circuit becomes operator of four Globe, Central and New York.

Brandis will play relsues at the Manhattan, with the first attraction Midisummer, Night's Dream, which opened at the house yesterday (Tuesday) at pop scale,

New York Theatres

Beginning Friday, Dec. 31 CARY GRANT

IOHN GARFIELD

'DESTINATION TOKYO"

CHARLIE BARNET & Ore Also Ella Mae Morse Lowe, Hite & Stanley

Doors Open STRAND B'way &



State (TIMES in Person

Patricia Morie Harrison & Flaher Jackle Glenser Erie Blore "SAHARA"

SAMUEL GOLDWYN'S THE NORTH STAR

NEW VICTORIA - RKO PALACE BWAY & 45TH BWAY & 47TH Centinusus performances, scorular prices; doors open 9:00 A.M.; Midnight show, svey nicht, beth theater

'Curie' for Troops.
Some 51 16-mm prints of 'Madame' Curie' have been shipped overseas to combat zones.

Many servicemen saw the picture fefore Christmas while others will see it by New Year's.

25th WEEK!

"FOR WHOM THE BELL TOLLS"

RIVOLI B'way & 49th St.

Pencer Tracy Capitol Irene Dunne "A GUY NAMED JOE" LOU HOL

BADIO MUSIC HALL 'MME. CURIE"

Spectacular Stage Productions

MICHAEL TODD presents SOMETHING THE BOYS COLE PORTER SONGS

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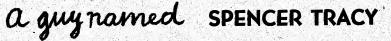
A Paramount Pletute

TOMMY DORSEY and Bond
PARAMOUNT Times Square





a guy named SANTA CLAUS presents





a gal named IRENE DUNNE

IN VICTOR FLEMING'S PRODUCTION
OF THE M-G-MARVELOUS ROMANCE

"a guy Named Joe"

with a cast named Terrific:

Von Johnson - Ward Bond. - James Gleason - Lianel Barryfinare - Barry Nelson - Esther Williams Screen Play by Datton Trymbo - Adaptation by Frederick Hazlitt Brennon - Directed by VICTOR FIEMING Produced by EVERETT RISKIN - A Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Picture

It's in M-G-M's "Vitamin 12" Group!

Survey Shows Daytime Serials Still **Tops With Listeners Despite Upped** Sponsorship of Other Type 'Casts

Contrary to widespread belief inthe trade, the recent increase in
persons to the contract in the
property of the contract in
the popularity of the dramatic
serials. On the contrary, the audiences drawn by the new nonserial commercials are new listeners,
and the serials have meanwhile not
only related their previous popusitably. These are some of the
conclusions drawn from a survey of
1854 adytime listening, Just just
by C. E. Hopper, Inc.
The Hopper report also discloses

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The Hooper report also discloses
the previously unknown fact that
women comprise more than half the
entire listening audience, even during the evening hours when programs of more universal appeal, are
least and when more men are presumably available as listeners.
Through most of the daylight hours, Through most of the daylight hours, the survey indicates, there are slightly more children than men listeners, with the men becoming increasingly prepolderent as the evening continues. However, during all listening hours women listeners are more numerous than men and children combined.

and children combined.

According to the Hooper findings, the average ratings for all daytime weeklday network programs in the first 10 months of 1943 were higher than in 1941 and equal to or higher than in 1942. And, despite the increase in sponsorability of chartime serial dramas has held steadily at about 50 hours a week for more than 10 months.

Highest in Four Years

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The share of the daytime serial
audience, compared to the audiences
for all daytime programs, was the
highest in four years during the
first seven months of 1843, was bemonths and dropped below 1941
only in October, 1943. Set in use
during daytime weekday hours has
been above 1942 every month and
July, 1843, with the additional the
roporation. programs.

programs.

Non-serial daytime programs have increased from six and a half hours a week during January, 1943, to more than 18 hours a week during that about 30 hours a week during that about 30 hours a week during that about 30 hours a week during that of network daytime weekday sponsored hours now consist of non-serial program, the highest portion to date. There is little appreciable difference in the makeup of audiences to non-serial and zerial days about four-fifths, of the total audience for both kinds of programs. The survey tends to show that

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own the total audiences. Neveruse in homes where someone was
home has risen from 209 in November, 1941, to 214 in November, 1942,
and 220 in November, 1943, and
220 in November, 1943, is a peak
221.

'Dr. Stork,' Child Care Program, Auditioned By Baby Food Mfrs.

A new program in answer to pleas by doctors to give mothers a better insight on child care is being audi-tioned by several baby food manu-facturers, including Johnson & Johnson.

Johnson. The show, which in its present format is a 15-minute program readied for three-times-a-week on the air, is called 'Dr. Stork' and has been originated by a well-known child specialist, who will also do the spicing on the ether. It is being handled by Ted Green, radio head of Frederick Bros.

Art Carney into Army
Art Carney, just signed by CBS
to a seven-year acting pact, having
done 'School of the Air,' and 'Fun
with Dunn,' is now Army-bound.

FRED ALLEN

(who is more than isually prolific this year) has writ-ten a second humorous piece which he calls

'A RADIO FABLE'

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OUT NEXT WEEK

Willie Howard **Show Being Set**

Several appensors are dicketing for a new air show starring. Willie Howard. The program would be a take-off on 'Hanson's Drug Store's well-known. Broadway apothecary which receives a big play from show iz personalities. A 'half-hour comedy alot is planned.

comeny stot is planned.

Howard is currently appearing at the Strand, N. Y., and leaves at the weekend for a Coast engagement. He will be gone a month, but on his return about Feb. 1 plans to step into the radio program.

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Al Steen is currently writing the

Roland Young Staying East, So 'Wm. & Mary' Won't Shift to Coast

Although Roland Young's current legit vehicle, 'Another Love Story', closes Jan 8 at the Fulton, N. Y., the actor is set for another stage play, which will keep him in the east in-definitely with the 'William and Mary' comely sot on the Dhah Shore programs at William and Mary' would move to the 'Coast Whent' Young Mary Young Mary Love Story' finally closed.

Love Story finally closed.

Young & Rubicam, the agency on
the program for Frosted Foods (General Foods), would prefer to move
the William and Mary' stanza to
the rest of the show originate. Cornelia Cits Stimer, who writes and
the rest of the show originate. Cornelia Cits Stimer, who writes and
two the show originate corwould be willing to go to the Coast.
But with Young remaining east, that
portion of the program must stay,
also.

Young has not revealed the details of his new legit assignment.

TED BLISS QUITS CBS; JOINS Y.&R. ON COAST

Ted Bliss, a CBS director on the Coast, has resigned to join the preduction star of the Young & Rubical Research of the Young & Young director of the Silver Theatre stanze Sunday nights on CBS for Interna-tional Silver.

The scripting assignment for the Pidgeon show hasn't been set by Y. & R., but Charles Tazewell is being considered for it.

T&C' Heads East in Jan., To Play Bond Sale Shows

Truth or Consequences, the Ralph Edwards comedy-quiz Saturday nights on WEAF-NBC for Procter & ngmis on wear-Not. for Freder & Gamble, starts east from San Fran-cisco about mid-January and will play a series of bond-sale perform-ances en route. The stanza is due back in New York about mid-February.

Compton is the agency.

Premieres

(Dec 29- tan 9)

'Atlantic Spetilight,' interna-tional exchange series; 12:30-1 p.m., Saturdays; WEAF-NBC, sustaining.

'Columbia Presenta Perry Como'; 7:15-7:30 p.m., Sundays; WABC-CBS; sustaining.

Jan. 5 Frank Sinatra show, with Bert

Frank Sinatra show, with Bert Wirerler and guestar Giager Rogers; 9-930 p.m., Wednesdays; WABC-CBS; Vimms Co.; B. B. D. O. agency.

"Dunninger, Master Mentalist," 9-9:30 p.m., Wednesdays; WJZ-Rouer, Sherwin-Williams Co.; Newell-Emmett agency.

Jan. 8

'Carliss' Archer,' with Janet
Waldo; 5-5:30 p.m., Saturdays;
WABC-CBS; Anchor Hocking
Glass Corp; Hackett agencing
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with Secy; Hull, Under-Secy,
With Schart, Jan de thers; 7-7:30
pm., Saturdays; WEAF-NBC; Jan. 8

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Thestors at War, in cooperation with the American Medical ASSA, 4305-5 pm., Saturdays; WEAF-NBC; sattaining.

Year America, with Nelson Olimated, governors of states; 5-30 p.m., Saturdays; WEAF-NBC; Union Pacific Railroad; Capiles CO.

Operating Setup For D-F-S- Agev.

ROI IJ-IJ-AGCY.

New Dancer-Fitzgerald Sample personnel setup as the firm lakes over Jan. 1 in Chi, N. Y. and Hollywood offices formerly occupied by Blackett-Sample-Hummert, will. Include 18 to Chief 18 to Chie

OBOLER'S NBC SHOW TO TEE OFF JAN. 18

"Everything for me Boys is the title of the new half-hour show by Arch Oboler, which will star Ronald Colman. Program replaces "Salute to Youth on the 7:30 p. m. niche beginning Jan. 18. "Everything" will be sponsored by the Electic Auto-Lite Co.

Lite Co.

Town show, designed primarily programs and primarily programs and primarily programs."

The new show, designed primarily to entertain fighting men overseas, in addition to featuring Colman in a transat along of the properties of the color of the col

Edith Sommer Scripts To Get Comm'l Airings

For ucit Collinia I All Higs Solid Sommer, who gave up acting several months ago to concentrate negl; and raido writing, has 3old the heart few weeks. One is Tarry Tompson's Boy, to be heard Jan, 12 on the 'Dr. Christian' series on WABC-CBS for Chesebrough. The other is Talent for Murder, an other is Talent for Murder, and the 'An Be start of 'Mystery Theatre on WEAF-NBC for Molle shave cream.

cream.
She has also adapted the book,
They Shall Inherit the Earth, for
the Jan, 4 broadcast of the WEAFNBC sustainer, 'Words at War.' She's
member of the NBC script staff.

Radio Researchers At Harvard Call For Full-Time Congressional Group To Tackle B'casting, Allied Problems

ARTHUR KOBER

ly brushes off mystery radio programs in a

T'm A Fella Like This'

88th Anniversary Number of

VARIETY OUT NEXT WEEK

Set Format Of

Union Pac. Show

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WHAM, U. of Rochester, Time Mag to Air Series On Changes Shaping Up

Rochester, Dec. 28.
WHAM, the University of Rochester and Time Magazine have joined forces to air a weekly series presenting a 'realistic' view of the effect of scientific discoveries on everyday life.

scientific discoveries on everyday life.

Dr. Gerald Wendt, Time science citors, will direct the briddeasts, control of the co

Results of a reduction detailing in search project a Harvard university to be published in the forthcoming jace of the American Political Science Reviews, brought forth the resordation to the present PCC-radio station situation is to appoint a regular committee of Congress to devote its environment of the present production. The production is to appoint a regular committee of Congress to devote its environment of the production of the produ general (1) the record of control is one of controls efforts to regulate a very young industry in response to a very young industry in response to a sure, but with no real understanding of the situation; (2) neither the Congress as a whole nor the committee of the House and Senda in one were provided a patient in the control of the co

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basis to a national radio policy. Individual *Congressmen have voiced subjective if emphatic opinion on these subjects. Such expressional have been imphazared, jacking evidence, such as pudder Congress in more traditional fields of public policy, 'they have had virtually no effect upon the actual pattern of control. Since America's entry into the war, all these shortcomings have (Contined on page 29)

Bendix Show Cues Switch of Sun. Aft.

prepare the public for probable 'results of these changes.

WILGUS LEAVES CIAA
FOR THOMPSON AGCY.

William Wilgus has resigned from the radio production sain of the state of a rearrangement of the Bibuse the radio production sain of the program will force a switch of the department of the J. Walter Thompson agency of the results of the res Programs on Blue

THOMPSON NOSES OUT Y & R

Look Out. Red

If Waite Hoyt, former Yankee pitcher, is coming back, as reported o broadcast Glant and Yank games next summer it may well be that ed Barber, the Dodgers' aerial Boswell, will have something more

Now this hart written in any disparaging with regarding the Red-head. In-most everybody's book, Burber is the top baschall game caller of 'em all, Nor will there be any argument about that here. It's just that this Hoyt guy, when he talks about baseball, inn't bad, either That was apparent a while back when he was 'doing' one of those quickies for a New York station, a five-minute follow-up on the Dodger games which also permitted him time for a brief ancetode or

It was true then, and maybe it is now, that Hoyt didn't know all the words. But he has been out there on that mound, That's his runing start and it's a hig one. He's been on that hill when he was in a been there. And he knows what it's like to have been there. It makes difference. That's what Barber is going to be up against if Hoyt comes back. It should make Barber all the keener. Certainly New That is the high start of the high start of the high start is the high start of the high start is the high start of t

other of those guys who have been in traces. The management of the gent him? We get him? We have that Columbia went to the Rose Bowl and took Scottage. Remember? But this autimated day, the day we've taking about, Columbia was behind 20 to 0 at the half. It never did score, and Princeton later put across two more touchdowns which the officials wouldn't allow. Fience, 20 to 0 was the final score. Exactly what would columbia, had gone to the Coast is something which to this day intrigues this department. As it was, Columbia beat Stantord 7 to 0 and 100,000 Columbia alumni don't believe it yet—and that was 10 years ago.

Allyway, Friedman broadcast this '33 Columbia-Princeton key Octo-ber game. An important one it was for both teams. And Friedman is another say who, perhaps, doesn't know all the words. But he knows another say who, perhaps, doesn't know all the words. But he knows particular football game broadcast is still the best that New York has ever heard called over the air.

'OPEN DOOR' ALSO TO

GET NEW DIRECTOR

Cafe Society Paul Stewart takes over direction of The Open Door, effective Jan. 3, succeeding Fred Weihe. The Sandra Michael serial moves on that date from its present 10:15-10:30 a.m. spot on WEAF-NBC to 3:15-3:30 p.m. on WABC-CBS. Standard Brands is the sponsor and Bates the agency. **Package Show**

Cafe Society Uptown and Cafe Society Downtown (N. Y. niteries) performers are being peddled in a package show with that name, performers are being peddled in a package show with that name, directed by Fritz Blocki. Aus-ing price reportedly is \$8,000. Show was auditioned Monday (27), with Hzeel Scott, Teddy Wilson, Georgia Gibbs and John Sebastian, from Bar-ney Josephson's uptown, and down-town N. Y. mileries, included in the lineum.

Paul Martin, N. Y. World-Telly nitery and restaurant columnist. em-

Anna Erskine, Replaced On 'Met Auditions.' Gets Salary for Full Season

Anna Erikine, continuity writer of "Metropolitan Auditions of the Air' since its start eight years ago of Stewin-Williams paint, has been record, end by Len Pinger, Blue net-torick, edit of the property of heard Sunday afternoons on the Blue.

A'though she no longer has the assignment, Miss Erskine will be paid for the belance of the season, but into the belance of the season, but into these seasons are seasons that she was set. She had already completed scripts to next spring. Tevis Huhn directs the 'Auditions' series.

The new Guy Lombardo show Sunday nights on the Blue, starting Jan. 14, for Chelsea cigarets, will have Carl Manning and Phil Davis as continuity writers and George Lowther as director. W. & L. is also the agency on it.

BETHLEHEM STEEL SEEKS 1-HR. SHOW

Bethlehm Steel is reported dick-ering for a radio show after the first of the year. Company found five-minute spots effective. for 'help wanted,' and on Friday (31) is doing a roundup for the year, 1:30-2 p.m., on the Blue. Reported the steel company is anxious for a half-hour spot, with talks in progress with Blue net execs.

AGAIN LEADING NIGHTTIME AGGY

J. Walter Thompson goes into 1944 ag the No. 1. agency in nighttime radio. It's the first time since 1985 that the agency has regained its former status, having yielded to Young & Rubicam in the intervening years.

mer situs, having yielded fe Young and Robinson in the intervening years. As Robinson in the intervening years of such accounts as Ford Motor Co, comerly held by the Maxon spens, and Vinnus vitamins, switched from B.B.D. & O. helped pave the way with an accumulation of p.m. net work business of eight hours and 5 minutes, as compared with eight more considerable of the compared with eight and the contract of the

your program, strough anonyson, the control of the

Time, Chet La Roche Acquire Interest In Blue; Woods, Kobak Also Buy In

Is It the Writers?

Is it the Writers?

Sure the pace of the radio comedy shows this season is fast, but can it be the writers? That's not taking anything away from the comies, but the writers are playing as big, important part.

The playing as the play

Sure the comedy pace is fast-and thanks to new spirit, new writing slants.

writing slants.

One—thing—is—surés.—Radio-comedians do get an exaggerated slant of their own comedy when playing army camps. Also careless and off their timing. This also holds true for stage comediants, many of whom have dead of their companies. The slant play of their companies with the companies of their companies of their companies of their companies. The companies of their companies o

Gracie Fields Going Off Air

Gracie Fields is going off the air Grade Fields is going off the six at least temporarily, when she whole up her current Pall Mail series Jan. 15, after expressing her dissatisfaction with her five-special series Jan. 15, after expressing her dissatisfaction with her five-special series of the series of the property of the series of the property of the series of the seri

was organizer and is current head of the War Advertising Council. Be-cause of his war activities, his duties with the Blue will be limited for the present. He is currently ill on the Coast and is not expected east for some time. LaRooke's entry into the Blue executive setup was predicted by "Variety" several-months ago, but the defined by the company at that

were denied by the company at that According to Noble, he biseder retaining his present holdings or Bius. Stock for an indefinite period, but may utilizately offer shares to other, and the state of attention and possibly the public. Such shares would be offered by him, not by the present stockholders, he house the state of the stockholders, he will be such as the state of the sta

York, and is represented on the air by 'March of Time' on WEAF-NBC and by several local programs.

Coronet Mag's **Show on Blue**

Coronet Magazine will sponsor the Monday-librough-Briday 9:55 to 10 m, spot on 78 stations of the Blue part of the Briday of the Briday of the Briday of the program, according to present plans, will be a quiz show, although this is subject to change, 5 che was more than the spot country of the second the account.

Saturday Evening Post had been the spot for several weeks, but after the spot for several weeks, but took up its prior option on the time. It was the second to be seen to be seen the second to the second to be seen to be se

took up its prior option on the time, Blue salesmen his week ire endeavoring to line up another time schedule for weekly mag but nothing, but the control of the contro NAMES TRADE

ONE TOUCH OF M'CLINTOCK

MBS Prexy Takes a 28-Minute Rib-bing in Recorded Xmas Show

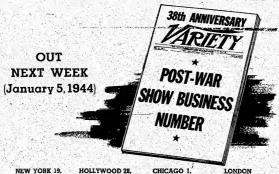
Miller McClintock has a permanent record of a ribbing handed hy MBS staffers. Under the title of One Touch of McClintock' a 28-minute show was recorded and played at the MBS Christmas party in N. Y. Friday (24) and proved such a hit with net personnel that it'll get all the MBS Christmas party in N. Y. to-day (Wed MBS Christmas party in N. Y. to-day (Wed MBS Christmas N. Y. to-da

reprise at a work party in R. L. aday (Wed.).
Lesier Gottlieb, MBS publicy chief, scripted the show. Role of McClintock was given a professional touch by Arthur Elmer, the radio actor. Fritz Blocki directed.

Nesbitt's New One

Chesterfield auditioned John Nes-bitt last week in a half-hour show. No deal set yet. Stint built around a patriotic angle.

is the sponsor and Bates the agency. Until he went to the Coast several months ago on a Selznick contract, Axel Gruenberg directed Door. The show is Stewart's first regular network directing assignment in several seasons. In the meanfime, he has been acting in radio, legit and films. Your Best Salesman In All Markets -Present and Juture



154 W. 46th St.

1708 No. Vine St.

54 W. Randolph St.

8 St. Martin's PL

Merivale, Anna Neagle, Skelton On NBC-BBC 'Spotlight' Preem Jan. 1

The MBC-BBC cooperative series of international goodwill exchange programs. Atlantic Spotlight, debuts few Year's Day at 12:30 pm. with Philip Merivale, Red Skelton and Anna Neagle fooping the international series of the serie

London.
Writer for domestic portion is Gerald Holland, with Joe Mansfield directing. London writing assignment is being handled by Tom Gyrenfort, with Tom Ronald direct

Series is designed to better ac-quaint British and American listen-ers with characteristics and enter-tainment habits of the two nations.

WESLEY M'KEE JOINS Y.&R. PROD. STAFF

Wesley McKee, former strawhat theatre director, has joined the radio production staff of the Young & Rub-bicam agency. He has not yet been given a regul-lar assignment by Harry Ackerman, production director.

BLUE'S '43 TOP TUNES AIRER NEW YR.'S EVE

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Kellogg Taking Over Full 'Sardi' Sponsorship

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WGY Blood Donors

Staff of WGY made its second visit last week to the Schenectady Blood Bank to donate pints of blood. GE station has broadcast a number of programs and announcements on behalf of the plasma.

ALAN LIPSCOTT

Post-Warriors In Gagland'

only a professional radio

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WESTINGHOUSE STILL **MULLS NEW AGENCY**

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Westinghouse is still multing several agencies to take over its ratio
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Alice Smart, production assistant in the New York office of the domes-tic radio branch of the Office of War Information, has shifted to the over-seas radio division and is awaiting orders to leave for duty in London. She has completed instructions at the OWI training center on Long Island and has received her passport.

What People Will Say

Blue Network Research Dept, pulled an Oscar Hammerstein in sending an unusual Christmas greeting to the NBC researchers law week. It was in the nature of a paredy on the pop tune, People Will Say Were in Love, and was written by Rose E. Walsh of the Blue research dept.

Here's the Yuletide greeting the NBC boys found awaiting them:

Don't throw accounts at us Don't give us every show Don't try to help us grow People will say we're in lo

Don't show us all your n Don't give us Kay-O-Bee Don't dare to dial Jay-Ze People will say we're in

We'll start expecting things When Nielsen shows Blue up above Columbia is suspecting things Mutual will say we're in love.

From the Production Centres

George Gordon scripted the dramatic sketch on last night's (Tuesday) Salute to Youth program on WEAF-NBC for Goodyear... Ed Cashman, vice-president of the Foote, Cone & Belding agency in charge of the American Tobacco account, due back from the Coast next week after convice-president of the Foole, Cone & Belding agency in charge of the American Tobacca account, due back from the Coast next week after confabs on the Kay Kyser show... Tom Harrington, Young & Rubicam radio had, returns the Dislywood next-week sefers - quick-trip-cast-for Christmas with his family. He'll remain until mid-February to banch the Walter Prigons move for Goodycar., Jolio will not spousor the daytime whose control of the Coast of the

as musteal director of "Keepaskes" over Blue Network starting Jan. 2.
Arthur Hanna noko over directing assignments on "Hearts in Harmony' and "Widder Brown' latter part of last week, subbing for Martha Atwell, who was bedded with a cold... Repeating her bond selling efforts in the Third War Loan drive, Kate Smith does a repeat around-the-clock stint over CBS for Pourth Loan. on Feb. 1... Richard Curr Hottlett, former U. F. Berlin correspondent, who recently resigned from the London office of the OWIs speciological warfare division, Joins the CBS, European Other Owing and Carlo an

Boston Symph.

Tom Přísdale returned to his desk this week after being bedded for 10 days with a siege of flu...Sid Zelinka ind Howard Harris, writers on the Zinny Durated-Garry Moore CBS show, are writing a liberto for a mary 11 member of the property o

Charles 'Bud' Barry, eastern program manager for the Blue, back at his desk after a slege of pneumonia that hit him, his wife and child,

uesa auer a sege or pneumonia (tak hit him, his wife and child.
Ted Goff: new book to be published by Simo, & Schuster, tithed Victor
Book of Misteal Fun, will be out early in March, He is program director
at WNEW. Bill McGrath, WNEW production, manager, bedder with fur
... Mert Enmert, WEAF farm program director, will celebrate his first
year in the post Jan. 1. He originally handled a similar program at WLW,
Cincinnati.

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Radio's Wartime Advances Setting Pattern for Future, Says Sarnoff

Due to the extended of the America at war, the did before the America and chairman of the board of NHC.

Outstanding advances in the use of radio sound and sight, while remaining military secrets, will fit into the pattern of the future and provide vast opportunities for the industry, says Sarnoff.

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ternational snort-wave transmitters in operation.

Outlining future events in a preview of 1944, Sarmoff warned that the reconversion of the industry to peace-time production would be a difficult task. He cited new invent difficult. task. He cited new inven-tions and ever-changing development in the related fields of electronics, television, radiofichemics, supersonics and electron microscopy as challeng-ing the ingenity and skill of Ameri-cans but expressed confidence in their ability to overcome all ob-studes. Of television, Sarnoff said there

studes.

Of television, Sarnoff said there will be no overnight transformation after the war. At will take three to six months to get the machinery in operation to resume the manufacture of civilian broadcast receivers. If may require a year after approval of standards, and full, authorization for each after a special properties of the standards, and full, authorization for each are available within the \$200-\$300 price range.

Since the war began in Europe,

Since the war began in Europe Sarnoff stated that RCA employees have increased from 23,000 to 40,000 Six thousand others are in service

BATTLE OF SEXES' GOES OFF AIR FEB. 2

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'Sexes' occupies the 8:30-9 p.m. spot Wednesdays on WJZ-Blue,

18 More CBS Outlets For Shirer News Stanza

J. B. Williams has added 18 CBS J. B. Williams has added 18 CBS outlets to its network for the William L. Shirer news programs. sized Sunday evenings. 7-15. Increase effective Jan. 2 brings total of stations on the Shirer show to 64. Current campaign by Williams stated Dec. 5 and is handled by J. Walter Thompson agency.

Heidt Switches Sponsors, Goes From NBC to Blue

San Antenio — Gordon E. Guest has been added to the announcing staff of KFRO, Longview. Bernice Johnson is the latest member of the distaff side of the KFRO transmitter house as an operator

DUPONT 'CAVALCADE'

Harold McGee has taken over direction of Dupont's Cavalcade of America' Monday night show on NBC with Homer Fickett, BBD&O staffer, remaining in supervisory role. McGee was brought in by the agency for this one series and will continue independent operations as producer and director of other pro-

Change in 'Cavalcade' director's as signment was made to allow Fickett more time for development of new programs and new business for the agency:

Schenectady.—WGY, Schenectady, has two new announcers, Ted Austin, formerly with WKNE, Keene, N. H.: WGTM, Wilson, N. C., and WLPM, Suffolk, Va., and Edward Murchie, formerly of WCSH, Portland, Me.

VARIETY FRANK KINGDON

Discusses

'Commentators And Controversy

VARIETY'S

(Post-War Show Business Edition)

AUDITION 15-MINUTE 'KITCHEN QUIZ' SHOW

Fifteen-minute 'Kitchen Quiz' program presided over by Ed East and his wife, Polly, was recorded by the

Kids Prefer Real Heroes on Air Over Dick Tracys, Say Philly Pedagogues

Pulladeiphia, Dec. 228.
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Audition Gumps' Show, With Skippy Homeier: **Eyed for Sponsorship**

Transcribed audition of 'The' Goodman Productions, who acquired the comic strip rights through the his wire, Polly, was recorded by the bows, according to the report. Magic the comic strip rights through the Blue Network as a package show on of. Books, beamed for relienations? New York News-Chicago Tribune Fluiday (24) and is being offered for students; Margie in the Ali, and Fill spread of the package
wrce: C. E. Hooper, Dec. 1943



The Shadow for blue coul through Ruthrauff & Ryan



They? . . . the prosperous folks in rural Minnesota - the nation's fifth richest farm state. And they certainly are talking about the KSTP program ads appearing each week in the 344 country newspapers in our coverage area.

What kind of ads? Well that's another story, but they're really doing a job. We have a hunch they may be a new idea in audience promotion, but we don't know. We don't even care. What we do know and care about is the fact that rural Minnesota is talking about the ads, and listening to the programs advertised. We've evidence aplenty of that.

These ads are just one part of the continuous promotional campaign by which KSTP is strengthening its grip on Minnesota's bulging rural pocketbook. Other current promotional activities include:

- Personal appearances of KSTP's Barn Dance group in Minnesota towns.
- 2. Big ads in "The Farmer" (Minnesota farm circulation 147,000).
- 3. Full-page ads in "Land-O'-Lakes News," reaching 65,000 —Minnesota farms.
- 4. "On the Minnesota Farm Front" (column by Harry Aspleaf, KSTP's Farm Service Director) published weekly by 81 country newspapers.
- 5. "Around Radio Row" (radio news-and-gossip column) published weekly by 70 country newspapers.

All of which means that in addition to our effective and economical coverage of the Twin Cities-Minnesota's primary market—KSTP gives you a paying plus in the form of rapidly-increasing rural audience.

> 50,000 WATTS Clear Channel

Exclusive NBC Affiliate for the Twin Cities



Represented nationally by Edward Petry and Company

CBS, NBC Summarize Banner Year, Gear Webs to Even Greater '44

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the global conflict. No actual sales, figures are in-cluded in the reports, Columbia choosing to ignore that facet and NBC confining its revelation to the statement by Roy C. Witmer, vp. in charge of sales, that net 1943 figures will sun approximately 15% over the choosing the confining that the

will run approximately 15% over the 1812 volume and represent a new advertige number of NBC stations are represented in the 1812 volume and 1814 volume and 18

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Ton CBS distions acquired at least 30° additional sponsored shows a week, 48° stations gained 15 programs and 67 at least five programs through adoption of the discount order. During the year 18° new affiliates were 18° of the programs of the programs of the propers and material shortages hindered, their progress in television but hint that 'behind the seenes' developments in progress portend rapid advancement; in the field with the CBS. held '10° a 'four-houirs-aweek' teles should us using time for the most teles should us using time for the most wite should us using time for the most. soming of peace. Both NBC and CRS, held 10, a four-hours-a-week to the schedule using time for the most to the most control of the control of

Columbia broadcasts dealing with some phase of the war totalled 17,-718, filling 3,504 hours of airtime of the total 1,715 hours were sus-

25% CBS BOOST ON **NET VOLUME SALES**

NC1 VULUIRE OFFICE A Added by the rather sweeping rise in radio advertising -during the last three months. Columbia, Broadcasting, System now estimates that the red dollar volume of sales will increase 25% over 1942. Previously increase 25% over 1942. Previously the estimate was for a 20% rise. In the first nine months this year CBS listed 115 commercial ad accounts as against 108 in the previous year. Net earnings for the company for

usted 113 commercial ad accounts as against 168 in the previous year. Net earnings for the company for the 93 weeks ended last Oct. 2 seven years manager of KFRU, also 28,884751 in. Corresponding 104 period. This would indicate total net for 1943 of around \$4,500,000, or, or slightly under.

taining with commercial programs amounting to 1.789 hours—approxi-mately 45% of total sponsored oper-ating time on the network. NBC lists no breakdown of war slanted broadcasts but says war effort activi-ties on the network increased 125% over 1942.

ties on the network increased 125% over 1943.

Bond sales drives, shortwave shows to troops abroad, sports coverage, educational, public service and music appreciation broadcasts, short wave listening posts and other features of the year's accomplishments are described in the two reports.

ments are described in the work.

The CBS review also lists a number of its outstanding commercial programs and describes its national advertising campaign via newspapers and other media and points to 14 CBS-built programs which were sold during the year. The report also lists a number of awards won by CBS in various types of radio competition throughout the year.

Blue Sales Up 60% Over '42; \$26,000,000 B.O.

ALO, UW, UW B.U.

The Blue Network, in its first year as an independent Calan since its purchase by Edward J. Noble, had increased its gross sales by 60% over 1982, upped its revenue to 1982, upped its revenue to 1982, upped its revenue to 23,053,000, according to the Blue's The Chain, for the first dire selection of the year.

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The net strengthened its position in the Great Lakes area with outlets in Grand Rapids. Sault Ste. Marice, and the selection of the first direction of

Cleveland, became a full-time. Blue affiliate.

The web also upped the number of sponsored hours from 2,887 in Jacuary to 5,178 in December as compared to 2,794 a year ago. December.

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New shows included the Philco'Variety' 'Radio Hall of Fame,' the
Allis-Chalmers sponsorship of the
Boston Symph concerts and RCA's
'What's New' program.

HEATH, DUNLAP FIGURE IN NBC-RCA SHIFTS

IN INDURANT DAME AD
In a series of NBC-RCA shifts,
Horton H. Hesith has resigned as director of advertising and publicity
to become assistant to Frank Mullen.
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manager, while Orrin E. Dunlap
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information, switches over as RCA manager of the RCA department of information, switches over as RCA director of advertising and publicity. Shifts follow previous moves in which Charles P. Hammond was annead to succeed Charles B. Brown annead to succeed Charles B. Brown were succeeded to the succeeding the vertising manager of the RCA-Victor division. Heath first became associated with RCA in 1936 as assistant manager of the department of information while laming was former radio editor of the 16st Port Times.

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St. Louis, Dec. 28. Chester L. (Chet) Thomas h

MILTON BERLE

Discourses on

Pity the Poor Comedian!

38th Anniversary Number In

VARIETY

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OUT NEXT WEEK

MBS 'Opportunity' Show Makes Bow on Jan. 14: U. S. Toppers as Judges

Chicago, Dec. 28. 'Freedom of Opportunity,' new show sponsored by Mutual Benefit Health and Accident As . of Omaha, will bow over Mutual Jan. 14. Program will be aired Fridays 7:30-8 p.m. (CWT) over 80 stations. Contract went through Arthur Meyerhoff agency, Chicago.

then went through Arthur seepers of the Server, Chicago.

Format of show is ceed the 10 outstanding young men of the nation and dramatize their lives. Original ist from which the 10 will be selected will be drawn from the ranks of National Junior Assiy, of Commerce members. Judges on the Dough will.

Edgar Hower, PBI head; Dale Carnegie; Thomas Watson, International Business Machine Corpt. Mrs. Dwight Eleanhower, Dr. Harry Emerson Forder, Berlibots, Sat Eve Poot editor, William Green, A. F., of the ciditor; William Green, A. F., of Arthur and Chiles.

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Each of the 10 winners will receive Each of the 10 winners will receive the Central Super Markets chain a scroll of honor and a gold, key Gene Graves makes the phone calls from the J. A. of C. with the number (money pyramids with each one inone man of the 10 rating a diamond completed or on which the listener key and the title of the outstanding fails to identify the sponsor) and young business man of America. sings with records:

Ex-WPEN Aide **DXing for Nazis**

Philadelphia, Dec. 28.
George Gerhardi, former director
of German programs on WPEN,
made speeches on Nazi short wave
stations beamed at the U.S. from
Berlin, it was revealed here last

week.
This disclosure was made in Federal Court at proceedings instituted by the Government in an effort to prove Karl Scherzberg, local real es-tate dealer, was a dangerous alien and as such to be excluded from the

and as such to be excluded from the Eastern seaboard.

Scherzberg admitted, according to Army Intelligence officers, that he attended broadcasts in Berlin at which Gerhardi was the principal speaker, Gerhardi was fired by the operators of WPEN in 1938 when anti-Nati-Germans complained he was interspersing Nazi propaganda plugs in his commercials.

Woolley Returning To Air-But Chin Foliage Gags Are Verboten

Jokes shout Monty Woolley's chin follage will be declared out of bounds when Woolley moves in as headman on the Old Gold show with Sammy Kaye, Jan. 5. However, writers headed by Ed Ettinger, have permission for The Beard to insult work of the Company of the Company of the Burns will be the first guest under

Billins will be use the second the new format.

Maury Holland will continue to produce for J. Walter Thompson. Show emanates in the east until late January when Woolley goes back to the Coast for film work.

WSNY'S 'DOLLAR' SHOW

'Dialing for Dollars' is the title of a new nightly half-hour show on WSNY, Schenectady, sponsored by the Central Super Markets chain.



GEORGIA GIBBS

Jimmy Durante-Garry Moore Show

My Sincerest Thanks

Owens-Illinois Glass Co., sponsor of "Broadway Matinee." Woodbury Facial Soap and their "Chamber Music Society of wer Basin Street."

The Philos Corporation for my forthcoming appearance January 2nd on its "Radio Hall of Fame." Management: WILLIAM MORRIS

Publicity: ROSS ASSOCIATES

90% of Network Adv. in Papers **Make Grade Despite Newsprint Cut**

the station has contracted for front-page agate reader notices in the New York Times. They follow lead stories when possible and appear four days a week, Monday, Wednes-day, Friday and Saturday.

WOR, N. Y., has had scheduled in-sertions dropped when big news broke at the last minute. Since little of the stations and have been sous disruptions occurred. The state of the sous disruptions occurred. WOR, which works on quarterly budgets, turns h. copy, four to five days shead of time when personal-tismers at multilization. At present, ties or programs are involved, to insure ad publication. At present the station has contracted for front-

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Ad managers for stations have found the going a little rougher

PACT 'EXCLUSIVES' ON CUBS. SOX GAMES

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CBS-CIAA to Put On 'Viva America' Series

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Raymer Charters Corp.

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Jack Costello, of commercial ra-dio, is John Patrick Costello when he amounces The Catholic Hour-over NBC.

(A)WOL

Washington, Dec. 28.

A woman applied for a department store job here, but said she couldn't report for work before 10:30 are.

Asked why, she explained that she never misses day Caldwell's gleenwy show, Mr. Moneybags, broadcast daily over WOL.

Lewis Leaving CBS For Amer. Network Exec Post

William B. Lewis, now making a program survey for CBS to test listener likes and dislikes, leaves at the end of March to take up duties as vice-president and general man-ager of the American Network, Inc., an outfit composed of frequency modulation stations.

The Daily News and the Bulletin, evening papers, are expected to follow suit shortly. The morning dailles took this action, they said, because of the newsprint shortage. Thousands of lines of cash-paid ads have been forced out of, the paper.
Radio newspaper promotion will be hard-hit by the move. Philly out-Lewis came to CBS early in Au-cust and starts his new job April 1.

Philly Newspapers Dropping Swap Ad

Deals With Stations: Cash-On-Line Philadelphia, Dec. 28.

lets are already faced with a publicity famine in Philly dailies with the elimination of all radio columns. The stations had been forced to sell their programs exclusively through advertising. Philly's two morning newspapers last week notified radio stations that their swap-time-space agreements would expire the end of the year. Hereafter, the Inquirer and Rec-ord said, any ads taken by the out-lets would be on a cash-on-the-bar-relhead basis. The Daily News and the Bulletin,

advertising.

Exces of some of the stations affected said they would spend just as much for newspaper. spec. as the dailies spent for ether plugs.
Philly redio stations are believed to be the first in making swap ad deals with newspapers. The stunt has become standard husiness practice throughout the nation.

Farge, N. D.—Maurice Waller I



"CHRISTMAS REUNION"
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Guard Band, Leopold Stokowsk
and NBC Symphony Orch, Capt
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various parts of the world were good.
There were only, two highly professional spots on the show, one offering Jose futurbil in a piano solo,
and then in a repeat of his comedyguest appearance of several months
ago with Freeman F. Gosden and
Charles Correll ('Almos 'n' Andry',
the other Leopold Stokowski's con-



New CAMEL PROGRAM, Friday Mgt.: LOU CLAYTON

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CHRISTMAS PARTY
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Carbeiter were on the beau or way.

Survey: orbit—handler repeat from Thanksgiving— and the Jimbie Newell vocal group likewise contributed to the successful marathon package as did the deft insertion of pluts and institutional messages never interfered with enjoyment of the show.

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Standard Brands ponsored a special hour broadcast 10-11 pm. Tlesday 1(21) on WABC-CBS, with any control of the show of the standard present the standard

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wuth a bartione leading.

Brace Blass, 4th. Vincont Longels bank, revealed Saturday might, (3) on the Coac-Coal Spotlight Bands program (Blue), that he is fast becoming one of the notable band singers around. A bartione, Hayes months, revealed, Initial fa as one to reckon with in the swooer sweep states because of a neat lift to his really got that throb, too. The Longer band itself did a bangup job in playing before the wounded at the St. Longer's justices and Karol. Singer's justing also standout.

What we said about the Dec. 19th Philios show goes again for the same hour on Dec. 26. If you didn't read what we said last week in this department about the Dec. 19th show just let it go—but it wasn't bad, relend, it wasn't bad.

ROSTON SYMPHONY OBCH With Serge Koussevitsky, Clift Fadimar, Gene Hamilton 60 Mins., Sat., 8:30-9:30 p.m. ALLIS-CHALMERS CO. WJZ-Blue, New York

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B Minor for String Orchestra, which was given a flawless performance. Equally impressive was Koussevitables in the Subseview of the Subseview

'CHRISTMAS OVERSEAS'
Producers; Leon Goldstein, Garrett Hollihan Announcer: Michael Sage 5 Hrs.: Saturday, 5:03 p.m.

Sustaining WMCA, New York

BROADWAY SHOWTIME

chorus

This replacement for Three Ring Time' is based upon a solid comme cial premise, varied ingredients call-ing for a condensation of a hit musical with original leads wherever possible and with guest names who carry with them assured entertain-ment qualities.

ment qualities.

Unfortunately the show's preem(27) didn't live up to the promise it held out on paper. Main weakness as the proper of the preem o effective:

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And a survey of the fin-horn bit from his yaude, repertoire which from his yaude, repertoire which for his yaude, repertoire which does amiliar service here. Otherwise reliance on the show's writers slowed up his reception considerably.

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Commercials by Connic Desmond are gracefully introed and often done in a kidding key. Chief emphasis was devoted to the current suds shortage.

various cities were: Floyd Rogers (Chungking): Raymond Patterson (Melbourner): Edwin Bond (Hono-lulu); E. C. Stevens (Balboa); Alton Jackson (Cairo); Lindsey MacHarrie (Glasgow); Maj. Brooks Watson Jackson (Cairo); Lindsey Mac. (Glasgow); Maj. Brooks V (London); Richard Evans Juan) and H. Simms (Recife). (San



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Inside Stuff—Radio

"NBC Handbook of Pronunciation." a 880-page volume compiled by James P. Benderr, malman of the Department of Speeches Queens College and of the Queens Speech and Hearing Service Queens College and of the presses. Book, published by "Thomas Y. Crowell Co., has been especially designed as a quick reference for announcers to assure correct, standard pronunciation in their broadcasts.

Containing 12,009 words that figure in the war news, pames of famous people, musical terms and thousands of everyday pronunciation demons, new content of the proposed proceeding the proposed proceeding the way a word sounds, how it is optical, and the proved scientific pronunciation key.

Recent facelifting at CBS N. Y. headquarters has moved James Fas-sett's music division from the 18th to the 17th floor and brought Dr. Lyman Bryson, director of education, from the 9th to the 18th to be on the same settless are in the works. Private sanctums for news analysis and re-porters are being readed in the 17th floor newspoon, and Prof. W. Cabell, Greet has been installed on the same floor so news indeemed can bright up on their pronunciations, syntax and enunciation with ease. Frees infor-ecutly dropped from the 17th to 6th floor, and GDS also has lessed space-cently dropped from the 17th to 6th floor, and GDS also has lessed space. Research Dept.

The statement delivered by Niles Trammell, president of NBC, before the Senate Interstate Commerce committee, Dec. 7-8, during hearings on the White-Wheeler bill amending the Communications Act of 1984 hose printed in booklet form by the network of distribution throughout the communication of the contract of the communication of the communicat

Outgrowth of a surprise, Simon Barere, concert planist, will guest on the NBC Concert orchestra stanza on Sunday (2) afternoon (12-12-39 p.m.). Bearers, and been listening, to "the -Dec. 1.] showsome broadcast of the GI ment that the 21-year-old planist son, (c)). Simon Barere, 3r., would play, it was the first inkling Barere and as to where his son was stationed. As a return favor, the father will, play one of his son's favorites, the List's Plano Concerto in E Plat.

Baukhage, in his Wednesday noon, (22) commentary from Washington over the Blue, commented on Variety's report of what Eric Sevareld (of CSB) said about the glib talk sent to American service men on far distant fronts, and how do'llians are winning the war. Baukhage related, the incident of how Sevareld had been downed in a Burna sungle, bringing in the Variety' story while discussing the waste in war and the mishandling by certain teleral efficiency of the desired way for the story of the discussing the waste in war and the mishandling by certain teleral efficiency of the story of the desired way of the story
New Lombardo Show Starts on Blue Jan. 16

Guy Lombardo and his orchestra will be featured on a new show starting Sunday, Jan. 16, from 10:30 to 11 p.m. (EWT) over 70 stations of the Blue, sponsored by Lárus & Bros. (Chelsea cigarettes-Edgeworth tobacco).

Title of the program has not been ecided. Warwick & Legler is

decided. Warwick & Legier is agency.

Lombardo recently completed a stint on Three Ring Time for Ballantine Beer, heard Monday nights from 10:30 to 11 (EWT) over CBS.

N. Y. Area Goes on 7-Day-A-Week **Tele Schedule Starting Sunday (2)**

Blue's Saludos'

Now DX'd to S.A.

Latin-American versions of 'Saludos' Angios.' Blue show, put on the Affairs, Mondy (138) to 12 p.m.)

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Television on a seven-days-a-week lineup of fights. Only those boutes schedule in the New York area beginning Sunday (2), was assured metropolitan development of the seven was also been supported by the promoter will be made available to WRIST.

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NBC SYMPH'S XMAS **CONCERT FOR KIDDIES**

For the third year in a row NBC is presenting a special Christmas concert for children, by Leopold Stokowski and the NBC Symphony orch tomorrow (30). Some 1,200 school children have been invited to attend in NBC's N, Y, studio 8-H.

Only half of the 60-minute concert will be broadcast (12:30-f p.m.) with the rest being strictly a studio per-formance for the youngsters. In-cluded in the airtime portion will be selections, from the Niterrodor cluded in the airtime portion will be selections from the "Nutracker Suite, Grieg's Anitra's Dance' and Mountain Gnomes and Goblins' and Silent Night' to be sung by the youthful audience.

Portland, Ore.—Don Kneass, news editor, and Jack Eichenberger, di-rector of publicity and sales promo-tion at KGW-KEX, Army-bound,



Revised Radio Bill Seen Ready By Jan. 15; Regarded Only As 'Stop-Gap'

Washington, Dec. 28.

New radio legislation by Jan. 15 was indicated here Monday (27) by Chairman Burton K. Wheeler of the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee which earlier this month concluded lengthy hearings on the White-Wheeler Bill.

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Author's of the bill are pinning required conferences during the recess and may have a revised bill, ready for the Committee when Wischel's main futerest at this me is seeing some requirement added to assure founded discussion of confroversal likely that he will press for a senatorial confirmation of the PCC's network rules and on the received for the received

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of the greatest amount of evil. Neither Government nor industrial.
We must find the in-between ground upon which to base our legislation. It seems probable that if Wheeler
month, it will merely be a stop-app
neasure with the bulk of the revision to come at a later date—
seen what new developments in
radio are supreme.

Cincinnati—Latest femme addition to WCKY's staff is Rosemary Freien-stein, newcomer in radio. She's as-sistant to Margaret Dotson, director



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other stations.

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Bowl Games to Be DXd To Fighters Overseas

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The War Detti Innovence More and 20 that New Year a Day bowl games will be shortwared to righting men throughout the world.

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Tom Cleveland to Akron for operation with increased time and power under the call letters of WHKK, has been filed with the Federal Commiscion by H. K. Carpenter, vice president and goed manager commission by H. K. Carpenter, vice president and special manager certains of WCLE. It now on the air as a daytime statum of Cleveland Same company operate, WHK, rulltime Cleveland station.

Simultaneously an application for the extension of daily operating time for WHKC, Columbus, was filed. The two applications are inter-dependent the site of the si

of wells and construction of a directive antenna system at a site and Akron. In the event WHKK is established here, the operators plan to negotiate fort Mutual network pro-

Set Retailers' Program As 4th War Loan Prelim

Washington, Dec. 28.
NBC will air a special broadcast for the nation's 5,000,000 retailers at 12:30-1 p.m. tomorrow (29) as a pre-liminary aid to the Treasury in puting across the Fourth War Loan

Drive.
Featured speakers will be Secreary of Treasury Henry Morgenthau, red R. Gamble, director of the reasury's War Finance Division and belos Walker of the Retailers' War Lampaigns Committee, with Ben

ampaigns Committee, with Ber rauer as m.c. Retailers will be gathered at spe-al luncheons throughout the coun-Retailers will be gathered at spe-cial luncheons throughout the coun-try for the show with stations in the west using transcriptions to air pro-gram at a better hour locally.

Babbitt Vice Lilley

In WCAU (Philly) Post

Thildelphia Dec. 23.

Gh Babbitt, formerly of the NRI news department, last week was appointed publicity and special event director of WCAU. He takes the place of George Lilley who resigned Babbitt is a former Philly news paperman and was one-time pub-licity director for WPEN. Lilley is ex-radio editor of the Philly Record

WE MAKE ROREDOM GO "A hearty vote of thunks we ovie For what is best in radio!" For This We Fight" and "Music Hall," For Amos and Andy, dear to all; For Lowell Thomas with what is news, WMBG, our praise to you!" For the best in "43, stay timed to WMBG.

WMBG Richmond, Va. NBC

Oakland Dept. Store In 5-Hr. Xmas Air Pitch

Oakland, Cal. Dee, 28.
One of the most ambitions groups of Christimas programs ever broadcari focally was 'sponsored by Capwell. Sullivan. & Firth, local department store, Christimas Eve and
Christimas Day over KLx. The groupgrama, lasting approximately five
and one-half hours in all.
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and included everything from 25.
Christimas by Frank Litther,
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Christimas by Frank Litther, Oakland, Cal., Dec. 28.

Philly Musicians Local Talks Contract Terms With Network Stations

Philadelphia, Dec. 28, The Musicians Union, Local 77, last week started negotiations with the three local network stations whose contracts expire Jan. 17. The

whose contracts expire Jan. 17. The have outlested and WFIL (Blue). KYW- (NBC) and WFIL (Blue). Local independent stations have contracts running until September. Frank P. Linzul Local 17 prexy. Frank P. Linzul Local 17 prexy. September 19 prexy arriving at terms for the new pact arriving at terms for the new pact arriving at terms for the new pact and the WCAU will give a hint of future relationship between CBS and the WCAU prexy, and I. D. Levy. WCAU will complex, are along stockholders in the Columbia chain.

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Showtimer (CBS), 30 minutes; OldoGold-Sammy, Kaye (CBS), 30 minutes; Vimms-Sinatra (CBS), 30 minutes; Krant-Sinag Crosby (NSC), 30

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Como Takes Over CBS Spot Vacated by Sinatra

Perry Como takes over the 7:15-7:30 spot on CBS Sunday nights starting Jan. 2. This is the quarter hour. inaugurated six weeks or so ago by Frank Sinatra and which he is vacating to go to Hollywood for a second RKO film. It's opposite Jack Benny on NBC.

second RKO film. It's opposite sava. Benny on NBC.
Como formerly occupied the 4:45-5 p.m. period on CBS five days a week, but when he started a theatre tour two weeks ago this time was taken over by Raymond Scott's

Harvard Radio Research

become more strikingly evident. The volved. One of the most striking ividal role of radio in relation to pub- special fields requiring easeful attendic opinion and national morale, and then in relation to the war, is unit proadcasting. Nothing responsible versally admitted; yet no effective has been been relation to the war, is unit proadcasting. Nothing responsible versally admitted; yet no effective has been so that the sponsible commercial management has resisted yet-blerees or by its committees, and commercial management has resisted yet-blerees or by its committees, and to true that them are presented yet-blerees or by its committees, and the suggestions for over-all planning, it is sues involved are crucial. In the struct hat the may fine programs have beened of any guiding policy from been offered by networks and indi-Corpress, they are considered to the commercial management and the proposed of the proposed policy from been offered by networks and indi-Corpress. The proposed policy from been offered by networks and indi-Corpress. The proposed policy from been offered by networks and indi-Corpress. The proposed policy from been offered by networks and indi-Corpress. The proposed policy from been offered by networks and indi-Corpress. The proposed policy from the propos

War Information and related agencies.

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groups of the public, both expert
and lay. Perhaps the most striking
of these challenges has come from a
August, 1942, issue, the Reader's
Digest launched a virulent attack
upon what it called 'Rado's Plug
Ugites.' It invited letters from readvertising plugs, and in the October
Issue was able to report that 15,000
letters had already been received
from listener's all over the country,
outpourings. In spite of public attention and debate, Congress has done
little or nothing to forge a policy
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Ease Capital Gains Tax For Sta. Owners With 2 Outlets in Same City

Washington, Dec. 28. New provision written into the tax bill by the Senate Finance Committee eases up the capital gains tax for broadcast station owners with two outlets in the single city, who may be forced to sell one under the recent FCC order. About 50 stations

would be affected.

Report of the committee to the senate, made public last Thursday (23), explains the section as fol-

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property.

The taxpayer may thus elect to have the benefits of section 112 (f). If the property is converted into property is milled in the property similar or related in serve, or the entire proceeds forthwith expended in the acquisition of such property or in the establishment of a proper replacement that ment of a proper replacement that is recognized to the extent of the money which is not so expended.

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Is recognized to the extent of the money when the most of expended the part of the gain, if any, which is recognized after the application of Section 112 (f) shall not be recognized after the application of Section 112 (f) shall not be recognized to the extent that it is applied to reduce the basis of depreciable for education of the expension of the expension of the expension of the expension of the taxable year in which the second of the expension of the expe

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Inside Stuff—Orchestras-Music

Story that the ASCAP board had turned down a \$10,000 bonus to Fred Albert for his part in framing the Lealle-Albert plan, the new ASCAP according to John G. Paine, general manager of the Society. Correct angle is that Deems Taylor, ASCAP's prexy, suggested that Albert be given a \$10,000 bonus for his past three years' work as chairman of the relief

\$10,000 bonus to his pass three years work a chaining of the referencementites.

The board of directors did turn down the suggestion, but, according to Paine, the Albert plan was never mentioned. Reason for the nixing was because the directors didn't want any money to go with the chairmanship of any committee, lest it set a precedent.

Paramount, N. Y., began advertising the presence of Gene Krupa in rounny Borsey's band this week. Ads in various dailies are the first such attention Krupa has gotten since he gave up his-own corbestra. In all time the was with Benny Goodman at the New Yorker hotel, N. Y., no expected by him possess of him to proportions. time ne was with Derny Goodman at the New Yorker notel, N. 1., no-tion was made of him in advertising. rupa will, stay, with Dorsey's band, going to the Coast with it in

Teddy Walters returned to the Tommy Dorsey band last week in time to open the Paramount theatre, N. Y., with it Wednesday (22). His distinct with Dorsey over-a contract has not been selled, but he rejoined to the contract of the contract and the venture of the contract and the venture of the result of the contract and the venture of venture of the venture of

Bands at Hotel B.O.'s

(Presented herewith, as a—weekly tabulation, is the estimated cover charge business being done by name bands in various New York hotels. Diliner business (7-10 p.m.) not raded. Figures after name of hotel give room capacity and cover charge. Larger amount designates weekend and holiday-price. Compitation is based on period from Monday to Saturdest). Saturdest).

Rand Hotel Week	s. Past	Covers On Date
Ray Heatherton Biltmore (400; \$1-\$1.50)	1,200	39,500
Lani McIntire*, Lexington (300: 75c-\$1.50) 98	1,750	175,700
Sonny Dunham New Yorker (400; \$1-\$1.50) 2	2,125	4,100
Charlie Spivak Pennsylvania (500; \$1-\$1.50) 1	-3,925	3,925
Xavier Cugat Waldorf (550; 52) 0	+1,525	1,525
Count Basie Lincoln (275; \$1-\$1.50)	1,625	11,725
Guy Lombardo Roosevelt (400; \$1-\$1.50) 12	2,150	27,975
Enric Madriguera Commodore (400; \$1-\$1.50) 6	1,000	8,025
Abe Lyman Essex House (300; \$1-\$1.50) 4	1,150	6,050

Asterisks indicate a supporting floor show, New Yorker and Biltmornhave ice shows. Waldorf has Annamary Dickey and Rudenko & Zoritch

Tommy Dorsey 80G, J. Dorsey 113G, Sock, N. Y., Herman Wow 23G, Newark

(Estimates for This Week)
Georgie Aula, New York (State:
3,450; 35-31.10)—With Phil Brito and
Johnny Burke on stage and Thousands Cheer (M-G) (2d run). Extended run of picture at Astor across
the street during fall no doubt holding biz down to \$35,000 or under,

good.
Milt Britton, Providence (Metro-politan; 3,200; 36-59)—With 'Smart Guy' (Mono), and Tony Canzoneri, on stage. Not too bad at \$5,000 in three-day weekend run.

day).

Temmy Derry, New York (Paramount; 384; 35-51.10—With 'Riding Digit' (Para). Soci bo, combination of picture and the Dorsey band acreased the process of the process of the picture and the Dorsey band are first week concluded: last might "Maxweek" on the picture of the p

Gien Gray, New York (Strand; 2, 756; 35.\$1.10)—With Willie Howard, in person, and Northern Pursuit (WB). In fifth (final) week, looking 337,000, good. Run has been highly profitable.

profitable.

Weedy Herman, Newark (Adams;
1356; 35-99)—With 'Mr. Muggs Steps
Out' (Mono) plus Paul Winchell, Marion Baniels, on stage. Scaling to
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at gate.

at gate, Richard Himber, New York (Cap-Richard Himber, New York (Cap-lio); 4820; 38-51.10)—With Kathuyn Grayson, Lou Holtz, others, in per-son, and 'Guy Named Joe' (M-G). Stage support for picture contribut-ingsto smash \$70,000 or near. Fack Teagarden, San Francisco Golden Gate; 2,850; 55-75)—With

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'Most Big War Songs Are Not Written As War Songs

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Dorsey Vs. Dorsey Big B.O. on B'way

This week is Dorsey week on Broadway, Between them the brothers, opposing each other at the Paramount and Roxy, will draw almost \$200,000. Jimmy, at the Roxy, a larger theatre by 2,220 seats (5,886), drew approximately \$113,000 or over, and Tommy, at the Paramount

(3,664), rounded up about \$80,000. Decca to Boost (20th) and 'Riding High' (Par) is at the Paramount. Both were generally panned by daily reviewers, which, despite strong holiday week busi-ness following Kmas, put additional load on the two bands.

ness following Xmax, put additional load on the two bands.

Jimmy and Tommy Dorsey's bands have never directly opposed bends have never directly opposed bends are observed to be a supposed to the supposed by the supposed b

Major Recording Companies Already Preparing for Post-War Biz Boom

Bob Allen's Band In Jan. 1 Breakup

Bob Allen's musicians refused to Bob Allen's musicions actioned to gamble with his induction physical, which is scheduled for noxt Wednes-day (3), and as a result he has put the entire band on rolled Allen, see Agency, wanted his men to wait and see what his status would be follow-ing the physical, but they refused and he had no alternative but to dis-board to the seed of the seed of the policy of the seed of the seed of the clay (1). The seed of the seed of the clay (1) was the seed of the seed of the clay (1) when the seed of the seed of the clay (1) was the seed of t

day (New Year's Evc).
If he's rejected GAC says, Allen will try to reorganize and failing in that will go to work as a single.
Allen recently informed friends that he would break up his orchestra when his physical was imminent and it would remain disbanded evon if he, were rejected. He must have since changed his mind, since the

Disc Releases

Deca will begin a release policy after the first of, the wear calling for our and five dises weekly as against lis current policy of one and two weekly, increase in weekly market-weekly. Because in weekly market-good of the staff has not seen the light of or Deca since the latter resumed recording two months ago and musch or the staff has not seen the light of the staff has not seen the light of the staff has not seen the light of the staff has compared to
material in circulation.

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Various disc companies are already formulating plans for post-wor controlled to the processor of the Gennett Plano Co. plant at Richmond, Jind, which it will use as a few processor of the Gennett Plano Co. plant at Richmond, Jind, which it will use as a processor of the Gennett Plano Co. plant at Richmond, Jind, which it will use as a few pressing discs for same time among the production became the production became the manufacture of the manufactures of the manufactures of the manufactures of the M. Y. office, are due to depart the M. Y. office, are due to depart over the western area with a view toward post-war operation. In addition to the activity being shown by the majors, thore are the disc outlies due to get going after the war. Many of these, of course, will remain rumors, but record executions definitely expect a now of new working with 20% of the fine the diskers the shellac alloiments to receive the diskers the privilege of butting up supplies now in warehouser. Now working with 20% of the shellac each company consumed pre-war, pany to use another 80°, of their pre-war consumption, but it must be each manufacturers to retain possession of the supplies each had on hand cannot be used from the companies. When the U. S. first rationed shellac allowance was changed several time and at every the supplies and the supplies of the pre-war consumption. For the pre-war consumption, we for the pre-war consumption and the supplies and the pre-war months, however, it has been static at 20% which, it's understood, will be continued. Additional 30% will be continued the distance of the supplies and the supplies of

T. DORSEY IN MGMT. DEAL WITH MICHAUD

Tommy Dorsey and Arthur Michaud completed a deal last week completed a deal last week and the complete of the arrangement were not revealed, and it does not become effective unit Saturday (1). Michaud managed Dorsey once before, the association ending about 3th years

association ended ago.

Michaud replaces Leonard Vannerson as director of the Dorsey Interests, but will not travel with the
band as Vannerson did. Dave Jacobs,
road manager, who succeeded Jack
Johnstone recently after being released from the Army, will retain

Deal doesn't disturb Michaud's other band managerial interests.

Jimmy Dorsey Plans USO Overseas Tour

Jimmy Dorsey's orchestra will go overseas for USO-Camp Shows if plans jell. plans jell. Following his current date at the Roxy, N. Y., Dorsey has couple of out-of-town dates and then goes into the Sherman hotel, Chicago, for four weeks, After that will come the overseas jaunt.

N. Y. Park Central Sets

Beckner's Novelty Crew Though the Park Contral hotel, N. Y.; had apparently been after the strongest band name available for its Cocoanut Grove, it last week signed Danny Beckner, leader of, a novelty combination, to follow the current Shep Fields. Beckner is currently in New Orleans, agented by Stan Zukor.

renty in new Stan Zukor.

It's said that the booking is the result of a personal trip by Harry Lansner, owner of the P.C., to New Orleans where he auditioned the



NEW YORK 19, 154 W. 46th St.

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(January 5, 1944)

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Al Hoffman

Milton Berle

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7 Leaders, 9 Sidemen. 3 Soloists Cop Esquire Votes for N.Y. Met Dal

Cast for jazz invasion of ti Metropolitan Opera House, N. 3 Jan. 18, by an all-star band picke by pop music critics and trade pap editors for Esquire mag's promotic stunt, includes seven leaders, nir sidemen and three solo performer Also named in the poll were for vocalists and three armed force favorites.

vocalists and three "armet forces moveles" in Makeup of, the outfit is: Louis Armstrong, Coote Williams, trumpet; Benny Goodman, Banney Bigard, and the Marchael Cook of the Marc

Charles Friedman, who took oper to Broadway with Carmen Jones, reverses the process with the jaz invasion and will stage and direct the presentation of music jazz at the Met.

Met. Esquire is tying in the fazz show with the opening of the Fourth War Loan drive and tickets for the performance will be bonds—\$100 for orchesirs seals down to \$35 for upstairs. WJZ, which will air part of the concert for the Coa-Cola spollight band program on the other to the coard of the concert for the Coa-Cola spollight that the concert for the Coa-Cola spollight band program on the other to the coard of the c

performance with spot plugs.

Present setup calls for all winners to be in New York for the shindig with the exception of Goodman, who will be piped in from Coast, where Darryl Zanuck will make presentation of bandleader's "Esky and share of the \$10,000 War Bond boodle Esquire is kicking in to the hand.

boodle Esquire is streamy in the band.

February issue of Esquire will plug concert with stories and art on Jazz musician selections. In additional containing bloos of 140 vole-getters in the content, pics of other outstanding of 150 vole-getters with the property of th

4TH QTR.'S \$1,420,000 PLUM NEW ASCAP HIGH

ASCAP's royalty distribution for the fourth quarter of '43 is \$1,420,000, highest yet for a final quarter plum. Total for the entire year comes to highest yet for a final quarter plum. Total for the entire year comes to \$5,100,000, around \$500,000 less than 1940, peak year for the Society. Figures by quarters for the current years are: \$1,100,000, \$1,260,000, \$1,30,000, and \$1,420,000.

OSCAR HAMMERSTEIN II Chairman of the Music War Committee

of the American Theatre Wing has some pertinent things to say about

WAR SONGS

VARIETY'S

Post-War Show Business Number (38th Anniversary) OUT NEXT WEEK

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Polloging list of the most inpute popular tunes on the security of the work beginning Monday and through Sunday, Dec. 20 to Dec. 28 from 5, mn. to I.am., it divided into too sections. The first section represents the first approximately 24 leaders in alphabetical order (in some cases there re ities, eccounting for a longer list), and the second section contains the value reads of the second section contains the value reads. On the second section contains the value reads of the second section contains the value reads. On the second section contains the value reads of the second section of

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	I'll Be Home For Christmas	Morris
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te	Little Did 1 Know	Lincoln
he-	My Heart Tells Me- 'Rosie O'Grady'	BVC
	My Ideal	Paramount
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ed	No Love No Nothin'- "Gang's All Here"	Triangle
er	Oh, What a Beautiful Morning-"Oklahoma"	Crawford
on	Paper Doll	Marks
	People Will Say We're in Love-"Oklahoma"	Crawford
ne	Santa Claus Is Coming to Town	
rs.	Shoo Shoo Baby- Three Cheers For Boys'	
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nis	White Christmas-+ Holiday Inn'	
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Is My Baby Blue Tonight	Broad way
Say a Prayer for Boys Over There- "Hers to Hold"	Southern
Winter Wonderland	
Don't Sweetheart Me	Advance
Have I Stayed Away Too Long?	Famous
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Lovely Way to Spend Evening-"Higher and Higher"	Crawford
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Put Your Arms Around Me-+ Coney Island'	
Take It Easy—12 Sisters and a Sailor	
These Empty Arms of Mine	Southern
Don't Believe Everything Dream-+'Around World'	Robbins
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Blue Rain	Denton
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Do Nothing Till You Hear From Me	Roooms
Honey Song	Morris
I'll Be Around	Morris
Journey to a Star- Gang's All Here'	
My First Love	Dorsey
Pistol Packin' Mania	Morris
Manie Changel - Wigher and Higher'	

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JOE DAVIS VS. MAYFAIR MUSIC CORP. FOR \$25,000

Action for \$2.000 was brought last week against Mayfair Music by Joe Davis in N. Ysupreme court. Davis claiming that Mayfair Made and sufficient royalities on songs purchased from Willie Horowitz and Ahone Silver. Laiter pair bought Davis catalogue and not be a sufficient to suffic

were to be paid him.

However, Davia noted that an additional clause said that the was received an additional 25% of all other receipts payable to writers. He claims that that phrase is a 'catch all 'phrase', and means all other mones derived from his song, and he therefore claims part of the publisher's share of the royalties.

Maythair, represented by Lee Eastman, claims plat il had nothing to de man, claims plat il had nothing to de Davis and Horowitz and Silver.

Oberstein Launching New Publishing Firm

Eli Oberstein, head of Classic Record Co., is the backer of a new music firm which will get going within the next week or two. To be known as Ford Music Co., the outful will have Sam Wigfer as professional manager. He left Wilmark Music last week for that purpose, Ford will be affiliated with BMI.

Oberstein also holds an interest in Fisher Music Co.

Lyman's Repeat

Lyman's repeat:
Abe Lyman's orchestra has been signed to return to the Essex House, N. X., opening April 7 and closing on the control of the

Martha Stuart to Wax

RCA-Victor wrote its first record-ing contract in months when it signed Marth. Stuart to a Blue Bird signed Martin. Stuart to a Blue Bird-contract last week. Agreement, for two years, isn't effective until the controversy between Victor-Colum-bia and the AFM is ironed out. Miss Stuart, now on the Coast for Metro, came to attention via Lucky. Strike's Old-Time Ht. Parade' She was vocalist with the Claude Thorn-hil band at one time.



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Night Club Reviews

Joe E. Lewis, Fred and Elaine Barry, Rose Marie, Jane Stater, Chez Parec Adorables (12), Lou Breese and his Orchestra (11) with Blossom Lee, Lucio Garcia's Rhumba Band; minimum \$3-\$3.50.

Joe E. Lewis, back after an absence of several months in the South Pa-cific entertaining front line soldies, heads one of the best bills seen here in months. Layout is solid from be-ginning to end.

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JEAN TIGHE Dir.:--KENNETH LATER

numbers opening with T Sull Get My Realth then Jin Waller and Olh La La to excellent returns. Off color by the Sulface and Olh La La to excellent returns. Off color by the Sulface and Collad by the Sulface and could be eliminated to advantage. A hit.

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Terrace Boom. N. V.

(NEW YORKER HOTEL)

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Dorothy Claire. Don D'Arcy,
Rhythm Rodeo, with Mary Jane
Lauson, Bob Ballard, Billy Peterson,
Jerry Mings. Line (6). Bob Russell,
Jerry Mings. Line (6). Bob Russell,
\$1.50 weekends.

Sonny Dunham went out of town last agring with a band that was musically pretty much of a dud. He entitled that the second secon

rether. Danhan respect of the proving Benny Goodman with virtually the same ice show that activating Benny Goodman with virtually the same ice show that activate and the province of the prov

Terrace Room, Boston Dorothy Blaine, Gomez & Beatrice, Kitti Crauford, William Bender; Ted Straeter's Orch. (11): Serenders (3): Salvi Cavicchio Orch (5); \$1

tone quality of the big stage bands

and handles the act must comparently to boot.

Jules Gallena, lately Maitre d'of
Chicago's Stevens, is in charge here
with Victor as headwaiter, and tresulting service and atmospher the
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the ment. Blz was terrific when caught,
having been steadily good since the
room opened a few weeks ago.

Havana-Madrid, N. Y.
Ciro Rimac, Nina Montez, Nestor
Chaires, Machita, Atria Camargo,
Line (8), Carlos Varela's Orch with
Hida Salazar, Jose Curbelo's Orch;
\$1.75 minimum.

Jaime (4). Certor Varieta's Orch with Hillia Salazari, 70se Curbeto's Orch. \$1.75 authinum.

In its own small way, the Havana-Madrid is doing its but to command the hilliand shadow in the hilliand is doing its but to combine the hilliand is doing its hilliand is doing its hilliand is doing its hilliand is doing in the interest of those who aren't. The war has had its effect on Rimaci, a Bestläm, and one of the original south-of-the-quator services and the hilliand is doing in the hilliand hilli

Unit Review

Curtain Time (CURRAN, SAN FRANCISCO)

San Francisco, Dec. 27. San Francisco, pec. 21.
Miller Bros. & Lois, Diosa Costello,
Think-a-Drink Hoffman, Gene Sheldon, Buck & Bubbles, Di Catanos, 3
Swifts, Whitney Sisters, Connee
Boswell and Chico Marx. Production by Paul Small.

Vaudeville pure and unadultersted, came back to Prisco Jonight and packed "en in." given Pacific and packed "en in." given Pacific Time and Laugh Time before the current Curtain Time. took the current Curtain Time. took the chance after a one night break in at fast. Present revue follows the basic date of Small's previous productions dend to the contract of the contract of the current contract of the contract o

but it separates its features more definitely. We definitely with the second of the se order.

After lying fallow for plenty of seasons, the Stater's terrace for the farm
New Acts

JUNE ALLESON Songs 7 Mins. Capitol, N. Y.

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When she's given the opportunity,
to display the impish qualifies that
more versions of 'Best Foot Footward,' and later in the 'Girl Grazy'
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icapital that 'Mark I am
life.' Theat 'Em Rough' number from
the Gershwin film, however, is only
about of it lim' nearly, so well
Their's a youthful quality about

grooved to Miss Allyson's style.

There's a youthful quality about
the Metro starlet that's at all times
refreshing, wholesome, and her
choice of raiment to retain that
childish aspect is a wise one. Vested
with material more in keeping with
her opening number, she'd be a topnotcher on any vaude or presentation-stouse bill.

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KATHRYN GRAYSON Songs 7 Mins. Capitol, N. Y.

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BARBARA BLAINE Dancing 5 Mins. Stanley, Pittsburgh striking-loc

Sanity. Pittsburgh
Tall striking-looking dancer is
doubling into WB deluxer this week
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By Happy Benway

Both By Manac Lake, Dec. 28,

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From the South Pacific comes a

From Lakel Heller. It packs plenty

of new and humor.

Joseph Kin ceiffed two ways.

Alice Van Ness, Bart Williams and

Lee Klimeck are flashing good re
Thanks to Fred Doringer, former

musted and west Virginia Slate

Roperscentative, for his gifts to the

Percy Wentich, who got his 'cure'

papers from this colony, is convaless
with his frail polity Connolly.

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Havana-Madrid, N. Y.

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Mexico hasn't contributed a singer
of note to the United States since
Tito Guizar-until Nestor Chaires
came along. This is his first date in
the States, and with the proper management he's a likely prospect for a
buildup.

buildup.

Chaires, firstly, has a fine tenor
that suggest; an operatic background,
He's using a mike here, but there's
no doubt that he doesn't require one,
Staying away from the operatics, he
wisely does some semi-classicals
from his native country.

from his hative country.

He's presentable looking in summer dinner jacket, has poise and an expressiveness that should intrigue the femmes. But sometimes that expressiveness almost becomes a grimace. Withat, though, an act that can cventually play the class cafes plus radio.

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NANCY WALKER

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After two years of prepartory ork, the all-inclusive agreement bework, the all-inclusive agreement between the American Guild of Variety Artists and the Attists Representatives Assn. of N. Y. has been competed. Agreement covers almost every phase of artists, and the Aller and the American accepted the agreement last topic, while the Afra Amenbership passed on it Monday (27) high. Thus a blueprink has been set up for the mutual solidification. passed on it Monday (27) night. Thus a blueprint has been set up for from mutual solidification of both AGVA and ARA. The agreement will formally sinene some time this week, since both parties have aircass agreed to all provisions. Pact runs from Jan. 1, 1944, through Dec 31, 1949.

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The agency Fririty, the matter of an The agency Fririty, the matter of an agency Fririty, the matter of an agency franchise and \$25 for an associate. This fee equals the present ARA cannot be set up by AGVA. Pact calls for AGVA this fee equals the present ARA cannot be set up by AGVA. Pact calls for AGVA result in many agents not yet, memor of ARA to join, since through the agency franchises plus additional benefits. The second high god its receive franchises plus additional benefits. The second high god its benefit and the second plus points of the provision applies to those agents who cat as exclusive bookers for a nitry. As the situation previously stood, a booker could ask of the force of the set's registrated to either forego his require agent to violate AGVA regement or get more from the act, thus ment or get more from the act, thus forcing the act to violate AGVA regulations. The agreement takes care of this situation by giving the act's regular agent his usual 10% and allowing the act to pay an additional 5% to the booker. If the booker should demand more, it devolves up-on ACVA to take the increasers stems. on AGVA to take the necessato change the booker's mind, sary step

The third major change occurs in the relationship between an act and the agent with exclusive agency rights. Under the old agreement, an rights. Under the old agreement, an agent had to guarantee an act two weeks work in every 90 days, excluding the June-Sept, period, in order to maintain his exclusive agency privilege. New agreement calls for a four-week' guarantee in every 90 days and wipes out the summer exception. This provision also makes it he business of an agent who has ception. This provision also mak it the business of an agent who h exclusive rights on an act to see to it that his client joins AGVA within 15. days after entering the variety field. If an agent doesn't have exclusive rights, he isn't allowed the 15-day cushion period, and must see to it that the act immediately joins

The last provision of importance The last provision of importance requires that agents submit all employer's contracts to AGVA, or if that isn't possible they must file with AGVA, a weekly list of bookings for that week. I dea of this is to give AGVA time to check the status of the acts and the sport-they are playing—If an act isn't in good standing it evolves upon the agent to see to lves upon the agent to see to t they make their peace with

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White's New 'Scandals' Unit in Coast Breaking

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tabloid edition, opens here at the Orpheum, Jan. 11, with stopovers in the Orpheum, Jan. 11, with stopovers of fore heeding east.

Mriam Lavelle. Eddie Nellon, Al Klein, Ming Ling, and Hu-Shee, Audrey Young, Professor Backwards, Sam Lewis and a line of 20 garts.

Dot Lewis Ice Revue Snagged on Rink In Date at Pittsburgh

Pittsburgh, Dec. 28.
William Penn hotel has been enountering plenty of headaches with William Pour Britishurgh Dec. 28.

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White State Country Levels show, which had been originally scheduled to open last Monday (20).

The Lewis troupe closed at Hotelstate, "Cleveland, almost fortright ago, and when the Exverti MacGov-replace them, knows decided to leave the Lewis tank in Cleveland, rather than tear up and re-install for MacGoven, and have latter send his tank country and have latter send his tank country and have latter send his tank to the latter of the latt

it was to have been shipped. It's now here but whether the Penn can get it into the Terrace Room by tomorrow is problematical. Meantime, floor show of Roy Davis, Gaynor and Ross and Terri Vance, which was to have wound up at Penn's Terrace Room Dec. 18, has been held over from night to night ever since.

GRACE McDONALD SET FOR 4 WEEKS OF P.A.S

Four weeks of personals have een booked for Grace McDonald been booked for Grace McDonald Universal actress now in the eas prior to her return to the Coast lat next month. She brought the boo of her father, Charles McDonell, fo of her father, Charles McDonell, for-mer CIAA employee in Hollywood, here for burial on Monday (27), with rites at Calvary Cemelery, Broodlyn. Adams, Yewark, starting tonorther (30), to be followed by parts at Loew's State, N. Y., beginning Jan-6 Orientia, Chicago, week of the 14th, and the Riverside, Milwaukeels, for seven days, teeling off negressian to for seven days, teeling off negressian to Jan. 22.

Hotel Park Central, N.Y., Adopts Fire Safety Door Adopts Fire Safety Door-Park Central hotel, N. Y, has in-stalled heavy steel fire doors in the passageway between the Cocoanut Grove room and the fover leading to the elevator shafts. New fire regulations forced the change. Grove is atop the P. C., 26 floors where fire wares.

\$40,000 Ont. Nitery Fire

one of Windson, One's top night clubs, just across the river from here, was destroyed last week by a country flow of the country of the country flow but operated for the past five years as a nitery by Wil-liam G. Fielding, burned to the ground for an estimated loss of \$40,000.

\$40,000. The blaze gained strong headway because of an odd accident—the fire engines being delayed for a considerable length of time at a rail-road crossing after the alarm was turned in.

Too Literal

Yeggs must have taken a radio announcer's plea too literally. The plea was to 'tear off the top of your car and send it to this station.'

ation.'
Mortimer S. Rosenthal, asso-Mortimer S. Rosenthal, asso-ciate counsel for the American Guild of Variety Artists, last week found that thugs had cut off a large section of his auto roof. While in the process of col-lecting car tops they made way with about \$60 worth of gifts he stored there.

Sinatra's Molars A Philly Headache

Frank Sinatra left town last Thursday night (23) nursing what may yet be recorded as the most exve toothache in show biz his torv.

The flock of aching mole The Voice exactly \$2,500, his cut of the five grand which the Earle management had to refund to customers and lost in potential sales when the oner failed to appear for four shows on Wednesday (22).

shows on Wednesday (22).

The Voice was ha is bad way in a Gotham dentist chair while the institution clamped of the history of the the the the had to shut until the 7 pan. show when Siantar finally showed up. (Singer took some 15 shots of ovacacine whise a dentist worked on novacine whise a dentist worked on and he passed out completely from the footback of the control of the c

The toothache, Christmas shopping, the flu epidemic all combined to wreek the expected \$48,000 gross. However, the guy wound up with a \$39,000 gate, a record for the pre-Xmas week at the Earle. Sinatura's take was \$19,500, out of which he paid for the band (Jan Savitt's) and a couple of surrounding acts.

AGVA's Sliding Scale Chorus Pact in N. Y.

An unusual pact has been signed by the Greenwich Village Inn., N. Y. and the N. Y. local of the American Gulld of Variety Artists. Agreement is, the first between AGVA and a nitery to call for a sliding scale for

nitery to call for a sliding scale for the chorus members.
Contract calls for a \$40 per week minimum for the chorus when the spot isn't playing a name but should the show include a name, the chorus minimum jumps to \$42.50 per week. Minimum for principals remains at \$75. at all times.

Magi's Aides Also Help Make Minks Disappear

Milke Milks Disappeat
Buffalo, Dec; 28.
and to Dante the Magidan, returned
to Buffalo the the Magidan, returned
to Buffalo the day before Christmas
and paid approximately \$3,690 duty
to reclaim from U. S. Customs a
mink coat, one of six given to the
girls of the Dante troupe by Hardy
F. McLean, Canadian readed hiternationally famous for his lavish gifts to show folks. Miss Miller made a special trip from Toronto for the

occasion.

The coats, consisting of three mink, two beaver and one otter, were held by the Customs for payment of duty of 50% of the appraised

Mostel's N. Y. Dates

Zero Mostel goes into La Martinique, N. Y., nitery, Jan, 5 for four weeks, succeeding Danny Thomas.

Deal is for \$1.750 per, with two-week options. Mostel goes into the Roxy early in March.

Moran Joins CRA

Bobby Moran, independent agent, joins Consolidated Radio Artists in New York after Jan, 1 as head of the

Prior to opening his own office, Moran was with Tony Phillips and before that with Herman Fialkoff. Columbia Records will release a coupling of Frank Sinatra times next week. From his film, Higher and Higher, for RKO, they're titled 'J Couldn't Sleep a Wink Last Night and 'Lovely Way to Spend an Evening.'

Faludy Troupe Member Dies, 2 Others Hurt in Crash; Other Storm Jamuns

Reopen State, Allentown,

Allentown, Pa., Dec. 28.
State theater reopened Monday
(27) with vaudwille, the first discovered the control of the Paludys, comedtrace theater closed for some time. The theater closed for some time. The theater closed for some time. The properties of the properties also for stage show with pletture first three days of week, and doubt feature pix last four days.

Those, owned by Wilmer & Paludys, playing the Towe the feature pix last four days.

Paludys, recently discharged from the properties of the control House, owned by Wilmer & Vincent, was for years known as Orpheum.

Police War on Minn. Niteries, Theatre Bars Selling Booze to Kids

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Police: and county officials are
waging war on the 10% outlaw
fringe of Minnespoils injuictions and
miners and thereby operating breeding pools of juvenile delinquency.
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M. J. Dillon, county attorney, has warned that every juvenile who gets into trouble will be questioned close-ly, about drinking habits and that every effort will be made to deter-mine where he obtained the intoxi-

cants.

Offenders are subject to loss of their licenses as well as jail sentences and fines. In a statement to the press, Dillon declared 'liquor in the hands of minors is like dyna-

In editorials, local newspapers have declared that one of the causes of juvenile delinquency here is sale of liquor to minors. The editorials call upon the authorities to carry through with their present campaign.

Safecrackers Snare \$2,500 From St. L. Nitery

St. Louis, Dec. 28.
Safecrackers last week got away with \$2,500 in cash from the safe in the office of the Four Hundred club, the office of the Four Hundred club, a midtown nitery. Coin represented reservations for New Year's eve. Joe-Keegan, manager of the nitery said entrance was through a second-floor door leading from a fire escape.

Ethel Waters at Zanzibar

Ethel Waters heads the new show into the Zanzibar, N. Y., nitery the last week in January. Other acts not booked as yet.

Art Farrar band, out of Pittsburgh, to the Club Coronado in Shreveport, La., for an indefinite engagement.

Storms over the weekend in New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania For Split Week Vaude performers, caused disruption of several shows and resulted in death of one member of the Faludys, comedy teeterboard act, and serious injuries

> The Faludys, playing the Tower, Camden, started out in their car for their home in New York when they collided with another auto. Istvam Papai, recently discharged from the

Epaia, recently discharged from the Army, was killed instanty. The others were taken unconscious to a New Brunswich chopsital. Their con-ditions are critical, or the conditions are critical, the conditions are critical, Tower bill out of gast as replace-ments couldn't be made over Christ-mas Day. Several acts in Allentown, Pa. Several a layed.

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Papal was buried Monday (27) by
the Actors Fund at Kensico, N. Y. A
naturalized American citizen of
Hungarian birth, Papal had no relatives in this country. He had served
in the Army foreight months.

PROSER OBJECTS TO PHILLY COPA TAG

Monte Proser, operator of New Yorks Copacabana, through his at-toring, Maxwell Shapiro, has sent word to Harry Linn, owner of the recently opened Copacabana, Phil-adelphia, warning against continued use of that tag. It is likely that in-junctive proceedings will be started as Linn claims that his spot was named after a Rio De Janeiro Previously N, V, histro keepers

auburb.
Freviously N. Y. bistro keepers prevented two Philly operators from appropriating anness of New York clubs. Sherman Billingsley, of the Stork Club, N. Y., objected to a Philly edition and the Quaker City ports jabel, was subsequently changed to the Swar Club. Changed to the Swar Club changed to the 1321 date protests by owners of the New York spot.

Quits Chi GAC Office

Chicago, Dec. 28.

Berle Adams has resigned from the local office of the General Amurorp, where he has been assistant manager art Weems and head of the local of one-nighter department for the pas two years. He leaves the organiza-tion on Jan. 10. Adams will set up his own office

Karen Coeper, singer, has been signed-for an additional 12 weeks at Monte Proser's Copacabana.



Variety Bills

WEEK OF DECEMBER 31

Numerals in connection with bills below indicate opening day of show, whether full or split week.

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NEW YORK CITY

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House Reviews

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Bricker's entrance as G.O.P. presidential candidate.
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the basy bling party lantic.

Europe's Crossroads' covers the role Portugal is playing during the war in customary high-class M of T. fashion. "U. S. Navy is credited with presenting 'Destination Island X' a WAC release, a short on the Seabces. Wedr.

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Pittsburgh, Dec. 24.

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RKO, Boston

Boston, Dec. 23,

Jerry Wald Orch (15); Patricia

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The Wald band, with Wald himself providing plenty of zip in the clar-inet department, offers a sound back ground to current layout, which proves satisfactory all around for the

what it might be).
The band's personnel appears younger than most, and it plays that way, too. That is to say, the rhythms

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Stagers' Market

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that the playwrights usually stage their own works and some, like George S. Kaufman and Moss. Hart, do if for others. But in the main a John van Druten will stage his Volce of the Turtle; Ed Choderov. Samson Raphaelson. Rose Franken. The

John van Druten vill stage his Volce of the Turler, 26 Choderov, Samson Raphaelson. Rose Franken, The Carlotte, 1988 of the Control of the Turler, 1988 of the Carlotte, 1988 of

the Playwrights.

Herman Shumlin perhaps got a Herman Snumin pernaps got a record slice of a play when the The-atre Guild gave him 25% of Wine of Choice, ill-fated Sam Behrman play some seasons back.

Cozy Cole, featured drummer in Carmen Jones, brought a small jazz band into the 52nd Street Yacht elub, N. Y., last night (Tuesday) for a doubling stint.

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'Carmen' Tooters Get \$11 Increase Via Opera Ruling

Current Jone 18 Pittsburgh Dac 28 Vanes been defined as class B grand open by the musicians union. That ruling became effective as of last sturredy (25), the minimum pays of the pit bunch increasing from 28 milly Rose, the minimum pays of the pit bunch increasing from 28 milly Rose, the show's producer, who contended that 'Carmen' is operated and belonged in the legit elastification, immediate great pays the content of the

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18.30. Muriel Rahu; the songstress who alternates in 'Carmen's' title part with Muriel Smith, is back in the show. Miss Rahn's salary is the same as originally set and she has signed a rum-of-the-play contract after a

Plays on Broadway

Listen, Professor

lion Baron production in association Jean Mills and Toni Ward of three-comedy done schemely for the schemely comedy for the schemely published from the schemely of the schemely schemely station by J. J. Robinson; stars Dudies with fature viola Frayne. Staged by ord Meisner; setting by Howard Bay; of at Forcest, N. Y., Dec. 22, 43; 33.30

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20% Tax on Legit Being Fought Through Plea To **Customers in Programs**

Getting a breathing spell through the holiday recess of Congress, which convenes Jan. 10, the committee representing the legitimate theatrs in New York and throughouth the country in seeking a
lowering of the new 26% admissions tax, will be in stride by next
week. At that time programs in
Broadway theatrs and all-houseout of town playing legit shows
will carry an appeal headed T Am
the Theatrs. It was written in
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instead of doubling it.

Plans for appeals by radio have not been completed but is is expected that spot announcements will make the spot announcement will may be on such porgrams, and if that plan is worked out, radio time will be secured, without expenditure. So far no funds have been raised for the campaign against the lotted admissions levy.

Belles' Sticks Under New Deal for House

'Victory Belles,' which was forced out of the Mansfield, N. Y., last month, then resuming after a week's lapse at the Ambassador under a four-week guarantee to the theatre, at the same time cutting salaries with the nod of Equity because of the show's bumpy bookings, has made another deal for the house unmade another deal for the house under similar conditions. That will keep Belles' on Broadway through January, although it has been the lowest grosser on the list, takings mostly coming from cut-rating. A wealthy backer is reported keeping the show oversating. operating.

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"Belles' was produced by Henry
Adrian, who has an arbitration action pending against Micrieal Myerberg, the latter allegadly having
forced the play out of the Mansfield
in violation of another arbitration
held to settle the disputed booking
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ben enabled to supervise the affairs
of 'Belles.'

WARD MOREHOUSE utes some inside stuff on

'GEORGE M. COHAN-Prince of the American Theatre'

hich you will NOT find in his An editorial feature of the 38th Anniversary Number of

VARIETY

(Post-War Show Business Issue) OUT NEXT WEEK

'Mex Hayride' **Costing \$225.000**

cal produced by Michael Todd, due to open in Boston tonight (29), la reported the most costly attraction of the season. Manager estimated the production outlay to be \$225,000 Show's tryout date was set back because settings and costumes were delayed in delivery. Costumes were made in four different studios, cos of the duds being around \$80,000, according to Todd.

While the booking iam on Broadway has eased up, there may be additional switches. Possible that 'Hayride' will come to the Winter Hayride' will come to the Winter Garden, currently tenanted by Zies-feld Follies'. Latter revue is in its minth month, unusually long for a Follies'. If the show goes to the Garden's Head of the Hayride Hanger, Around the Garden I was stated Follies' was 11 was stated Follies' was 11 was fitted for the Hayride Hanger, Around the Garden I was stated Follies' was 11 w

siated to play into March.
If Venus' goes to the 46th Street
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and its run there, it being planned
to tour the operetta instead of moving to another house. Winged Victory' remains at the 4th Street,
run probably extending threet,
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valid go to the road from the Alvin
after another two weeks, that house
getting 'Jackpot'.

N. Y. License Commissioner Moss **Holds Up Licenses of Ticket Brokers**

Bright Lights' Royalty Suit Must Be Arbitrated. Pecora Rules in N. Y.

Provision in the Dramatists Guild minimum basic agreement, which-stipulates that all disputes between managers and authors must be set-tled by arbitration, has been upheld by Justice Ferdinand Pecora in the Supreme Court, N. Y. Decision was steed in consection with differences.

by Justice Ferdinand Pecers in the Supreme Court, N. Y. Decidion was Supreme Court, N. Y. Decidion was between the author and composer of Pright Lights, which was presented at the Forrest, N. Y., by Alex H. Gobers early in the fail but which Coches must go to arbitration with Rutt M. Poll and Bob Emmerich, whom he engaged as author and composer of Lights. Writers claim royalties and damages authorage, the manager authorage in the manager authorage to the manager authorage or the manager authorage or comest for the original authors, will on, and among the claims will be an item of \$10,000, as attorneys' dees. Coher's defense was final the con-

an item of \$10,000, as attorney? fees. Cohesp's defense was that the contract with Mrs. Poll and Emmerich had not been countersigned by the Guild, which is the usual procedure, usual procedure, and the second of line because the young manager client hats Cohesi defense was out of line because the young manager client and the agreement to the collection of the agreement to the collection of the contract by failure to send the agreement to the coil is mandatory for the Guild to countering contracts when such pacts are in contormity with the basic agreement, and: and days is merely a material contract of the contract

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One of Chemes, had lasued no permits to Broadway's ticket, agencies, although the licenses are issued on an annual basis and expire and the second of the safe label of the safe land
Agency people are between two fires because the legit code enforcement board has the right to determine the control of the con

in violation of the law is small. It appears that because some smaller brokers have been caught cheating, appears that can be been put under supplied. The small property of the

2 CENTER THEATRES CONFUSE NEW YORKERS

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Names of the Center theatre, Radio
City, and the N. Y. City Center are
similar that it is understood
Mayor LaGuardin has been asked to
select a different label for the city
enterpties, formerly Mecca Temple,
calls have been received at the Center, which houses 'Stars on Ice,'
trom persons seeking the former
theatre. The contrasion occurred
played the City Center as the opening attraction.

Stars' is playing twice daily this
week. There will be no matinee on
the given at midnight, soon after the
regular night show is finished.

Waxman Putting Musical 'Rain' Into Rehearsal

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Sadie Thompson, the musical version of Rain in which the late success, is due for rehearnsls, show to be presented by A. P. Waxman. It is denied that Cherry Crawford and John Wilders have Rained and the state of the Cherry Crawford and the state of the Cherry Crawford and the Cherry Law Paul Cherry
version with Marlene Dietrich to be-starred.

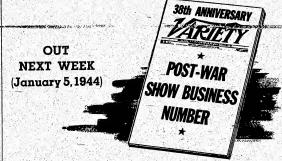
'Sadie' was the leading character in the South Seas drama. Musical version is by Howard Dietz and Vernon Duke, latter having been honorably discharged from the Coast Guard, Show will have a Polynesian chorus in addition to a ballet.

Kober Putting Finishing Touches to 'Dear Bella'

Arthur Kober has about completed Dear Bella, dramatization of his Bella Gross of the Bronz' stories in as his 'Having Wonderful Time.'

John Golden will produce 'Bella', and the 20th-Fox contract scripter will remain around New York until March or April as Kober is not due back on the Coast until these.

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B'way Continues Spotty; 'Turtle' Real Sock. \$20,000, 'Carmen' 42G, 'Venus' 35½G, 'Victory' Goes to \$36,000

Many Broadway grosses slipped further last week but some held their own. Looks doubtful whether the current week will be as pros-perous for theatricals as most other perous for theatricals as most obter Kmas weeks. There appears to be no heavy demand for New Year's Eve tickets, prices having New Year's falls on Saturday only a few streetions are giving extra matinees. "Listen Professor' has an indicated chance, it being one of two new plays last week. Feathers, in a Goled' was Danned and taken off

Estimates for Last Week

Keys: C (Comedy), D (Drama) D (Comedy-Drama), R (Revue) (Musical), O (Operetta)

M (Musical), O (Operetta).

'A Connecticut Yankeé, Beck (6th
week) (M-1,214; \$4.40). One of those
shows not affected last week; in fact,
gross was up and the count was
atted around \$22,100 Colden. (107th
'Angel Street,' Osloging (107th
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Low Stay: Fullow (11th week) (C-938; \$3.201. Due off after another week; (C-938; \$3.201. Due off after another week) (down around \$8.000. under even break; 'Peep Show 'to follow Jan. 20. 'Old Lace,' though 'to follow Jan. 20. 'Old Lace,' though 'to follow Jan. 20. 'Old Lace,' though 'to follow 'to follow Jan. 20. 'Old Lace,' though 'to follow Jan. 20. 'Old Lace,' though 'to follow Jan. 20. 'Old Lace,' though 'to follow 'to follo

Saturday afternoon for its first matinee sellout; leads all in point of

gross.

Doctors Disagree, Bijou (CD-608; \$3.30). Presented by William Brown Meloney; written by Rose Franken; favorably reported at preview showings.

snowings.

"Early to Bed." Broadhurst (28th week) (M-1,160; \$4.40). Among the musicals which have suffered since newer shows arrived; around \$16,-000 estimated.

newer shows arrive; around 1-20 of estimated as a Gale' Misic Box. Drew weak week wises and was taken off Saturday after seven performances; Over 21' due here next week. "Harriet, Miller (34th week) (D-940; \$3.35). Suspended performances after Tijursday. (23) in deference to Helen Hayer desire to change after manes after home, around 47000 Distances at bonne, a

mance after Thuesday (23) his deference to Helen Hayer's desire to spend Christmas at home, around clerence to Helen Hayer's desire to spend Christmas at home, around "Sante," Manfield (67th week) (C-1,001: 33-30). Playing one extra mainee hecause of youngsters in 'Sante," Manfield (67th week) (C-1,002: 33-30). Also playing the state of the

Oklahomas, St. James (20th week) CAL-1203, \$440. Continued demand for tickets one of the town's won-time of the continued of

s14,500. "Something for the Boys." Alvin (50th week) (M-1,337; \$4.40). Leaving for the road after another week with Joan Blondell later replacing Ethel Merman; will be succeeded by Jackpot."

Pacific,' Cort (D-1,064; Presented by David Lower cast, written by Howard

SAMUEL FRENCH

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Those Cancellations!

Manager of one of Broadway's major musicals has stated that there were more cancellations than tickets sold during the two weeks prior to Christmas. Attraction, he refers to is a run

show.

More recently arrived musical clicks have continued to capacity. Epidemic or grippe and influenza principally accounted for the cancellations.

Rigsby and Dorothy Heyward; first

'Stars on Ice,' Center (73d week) (repeat date) (R-3,000; \$1.65). Down under \$20,000 but playing twice daily this week and should double that count.

thal count.

The Dougheiris' Lyceum (52d week) (C-997; S3.30). Somewhat off but close to \$13,000 again and likely to climb back to engetity; has completed year's run.

The Voice of the Turtle, Morosco (3d week) (CD-955; S3.30). Quoted at nearly \$20,000, can't get monor; copile of the control of the contro

standout among season's productions.
Tomorrow the World, Barrymore
(37th week) (D-1,064; \$3.30). One
of the money holdovers which has
been affected of late but still-making some coin; \$10,500 estimated.
The Two Mrs. Carrells, Booth
(21st week) (8-712; \$3.30). Dropped
further but still goodly money at
\$11,500.

clair week! (R-712; \$3.30). Dropped further but still; goodly money at \$11.500, e. a. Franity! Longacre. (33d week! (C-10.18; \$3.30). Making a run of 11; off with the faeld but claimed around \$7.500; this week (C-10.18; \$3.30). Mystey of this low greaser sticking is whim of the control of t

'Over 21' 11G, 'Abie' 7½G, 'Doughgirls' 81G, Hub

Doughgirls 52th, Hull
Boston, Dec. 28.
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Estimates for Last Week
Abie's Irish Rose, Plymouth (1,
427; \$2.75). Sixth week saw furthe
drop to \$7,500, estimated. Remain
through Jan, 8 and Should make

inrough Jan, 8 and should make comeback. "Doughgirls," Colonial (1,437, \$2.75). Sith week drew estimated \$8,500, Sith week drew estimated \$8,500, "Over 21," Wilbur (1,300, \$2.75). "Over 21," Wilbur (1,300, \$2.75). One week stand drew estimated \$8,500 on name draw (Ruth Gordon), rotices mixed but generally cordial, out Dec. 25. 'Suds in Your Eye cur-rent.

Current Road Shows

(Dec, 29-Jan. 8)

'Able's Irish Rose'-Plymouth, Bos

ton (129-8).

Alie's Fish, Rose' (2d Co.)—Music Hall, Kansas Cily (29-1); Colliseme Hall, Kansas Cily (29-1); Colliseme Hall, Kansas Cily (29-1); Colliseme Mitchell, S. D. (3); Corn Felance, Mitchell, S. D. (4); Cropheum, Sioux Cily, Ja. (3); Aud, S. Faul (6-8).

'Alfache Family' (What a Life')—Ladystele, Detroit (29-8).

'Arsenic and Old Ladystell (2d Co.)—Arsenic and Old Ladystell, Extensional Collisions (20-1); American, St. Louis (3-8).

'Rackouts or 1943' (vaudo)—El

Blackouts of 1943' (vaude)—El Capitan, Hollywood (29-8). Blithe Spirit—Studebaker, Chi-cago (29-8).

'Blossom Time' — His Majesty's, Montreal (29-1); Savoy, Hamilton, Ont. (3-5); Grand, London, Ont. (6-

'Blossom Time' (2d Co.)—Forrest, Philadelphia (29-8).

'Cherry Orchard'-Shubert, Haven (6-8) (premiere).

Haven (6-8) (premiere).

'Corn Is Green'—Lyceum, Minneapolis (30-1): Babcock, Billings,
Mont. (3): Rainbow, Great Falls,
Mont. (4): Marlow, Helena, Mont.
(5): Fox, Butte, Mont. (8); Metropolitan, Seattle (8).

'Curtain Time' (vaude)—Curran San Francisco (29-8).

'Doughgirls' (2d. Co.) — Colonial, Boston (29-8). 'Doughglris' (3d Co.) — Walnut Philadelphia (3-8).

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andra, Toronto (3-8),

'Embers of Hawerth'—Callboard,
Los Angeles (7-8) (premiere),
Gibbert and Sullvan—Nixon Pittsburgh (28-1); Cox, Cinchmant (3-8),
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Los Angeles (29-8).

'Lady Chatterly's Lover'—Belasco,
Los Angeles (31-8).

'Life With Father' (2d Co.)—Royal

'Life With Father' (2d Co.)—Royal Alexandra, Toronto (29-1); Shea's, Bradford, Pa. (3); Shea's, Jamestown, N. Y. (4); Shea's, Erie, Pa. (5); Pal-ace, Ashiabula (O.) (6); Colonial, Akron (7); Park, Youngstown (8). 'Marianne'—Shubert, New Havef (30-1) (premiere); Ford's, Baltimore (30-1) (premiere); Ford's, Baltimore (3-8).

(3-8).
'Mexican Hayride'—Shubert, Bos-'My Sister Eileen'-Karlton, Wil-

"My Sister Eilent"—Karlton, Williamsport, Pe. (20) Rajah, Radding, Pa. (10); War Memorial, Aud., Trenton (31-1); Nixon, Pittsburgh (3-8). "We Meet the People"—Assistance League Playhouse, Hollywood (28-8). "Okiahoma (26 Co.)"—Erlanger, Chicago (28-8)." "Out of These Chains"—Beaux Aris, Los Angeles (29-8). "Over. 21"—National, "Washington (29-1).

(29-1).

Patriots'—American, St. Louis (29-1); Cass, Detroit (3-8).

Porgy and Bess'—Shrine Aud.,
Oklahoma City (29); Convention
Hall, Tulsa (39-81); Forum, Wichita,
Kans. (1); Coliseum Evansville Ind.

Columbus (6-8). 'Ramshackle Inn'-Blair Aud., Nor folk, Va. (29-30); Lyric, Richmon (31-1).

(31-1).

'Sons o' Fun'—Cass, Detroit (29-1);
Civic, Chicago (3-8),
'Storm Operation'—Hanna, Cleveland (29-1).

'Stident Prince'—Erlanger, Buffalo (29-1), Opera House, Boston (3-falo (29-1)), Opera House, Boston (3-falo (39-1)), Opera House, Boston (39-1),
8).
'Suds in Your Eye'-Wilbur, Bos-

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'Yours for Fun'-Music Box, Holly-wood (29-8).

Chi Biz Down to New Lows, But 'Okla.' \$30,000; 'Tomorrow' 11½G, 'Kiss' 11G

'South Pacific' Poor \$3,000 in N. H. Tryout

New Haven, Dec. 28.
Tryout of South Pacific fell below
an estimated \$3,000 for four performances. at \$2.75 top at Shubert here
last weekend (23-25). Xmas week
and lukewarm notices proved a poor

bo. combo.

Current is breakin of 'Marianne'
(30-1); Jan. 6-8 brings the LeGallienne-Schildkraut 'Cherry Orchard,'
which is followed by a full week of
Doughgiris' (10-15). 'Student Prince'
due Jan. 20-22.

Philly Slumps But 'Jackpot' \$21,000

Published phila, Dec. 22.

Did-fashioned, pre-holiday, slump the Philly's legit houses last week with customary severity, snapping, and streak of good bor, track as a shows was Jackpot, which wound up its third and final week at the Forgest with an okay \$11000, Total under \$85,000 which, although considerably removed from a capacity figure at the scale (\$5/42 top) was considered choice pickings for time Jackpot, what was seen as the same property of the prop

countered choice pickings for time of sasson.

of sasson, while grabbed off the cream, there want much left for the three remaining legit attractions. Try-outs have been especially under the same of good ones that included Carmen-Jones. "Voice of the Turtle." Concording the same of
groups had the house for a couple of performance which helped some operations of the performance which helped some too the performance which helped some too the performance of the perf

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CHATTER

Broadway

Charlie Harris a grandpop.

Chaide Harris a grandop. Honard Benedici in town from the Coast.

Arthur Y. Levy now agenting 'Angel Street Repinet back at his desk are the coast.

Sam Shaim to Coast on Fourth Bennet Cort Advision of Porlin Spring around Feb. 10.

Chaide Schlaiter, 2001-Fox an one of the coast of the Coas

the year.

Barbara Brooks back from the Coast and into 'House in Paris,' now in rehearsal.

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tion Allan Collins (Cuetis Brown liter-Allan Collins (Cuetis Brown liter-Allan Cherlie Miller (he's MCA v.p.) a flu victim.

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had a fermina operation was week. Resulted from a cold set-tling in his sear has just sold an original. A wave, a was and as Spar, written in collaboration with Rich-ord Hyland, to Universal Pictures. The work of the collaboration with Rich-nounced engagement of daughter, nounced engagement of daughter, and the collaboration of the collaboration for the collaboration for production for Paramount, is ex-pected east shortly after the first of the year to discuss production plans

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uet.

Broadway Association is asking all stores along the main stem to cooperate with the Sanitation Dept- in helping clean off the snow, if and when it comes. Building owners will be asked to allow superintendents to mow the snow down in from of the buildings.

Pittsburgh

Harry Brown, former Nixon man-ger, out of hospital after a hear

attack.

Buck Stoner, Metro manager, out of the hospital after a tussle with the flu

WCAE's Polly Malone on the sick list and Stephanie Diamond subbing for her.

'Storm Operation,' first job since be-ing released from the Army. Ladies Theatrical Club raised \$1,500 to buy Xmas gifts for service men and women visiting the Can-St. Louis

By Sam X. Hurst
Ballet Russe skæded for Henry W.
tiel auditorium Jan. 10-11-12.
Percy Gash elected prcz of the
east Commanders' Club of American

Past Commanders' Club of American Legion. Frank Sanowsky, owner-operator of the Fairy, has whipped recent at-tack. The command of the Fairy has been as a command of the Robinson & Martin, comedy dance team, headling floor show at Club Continental, Motel Jefferson. Club Plantation, midtown nicery, back from Chieggo loaded with new ideas.

ideas.

Local biggies angling for a p.a. of the London philharmonic when the troupe makes a nation wide tour next full.

next fall.

Harry C. Arthur, Jr., has been named Missouri state chairman for the 1944 March of Dimes campaign and Western Missouri chairman for the motion picture industry's participation in the Fourith War Bond

Miami

Louise Rainer in from Hollywood. Clay Bryson now weilding baton at the Roney Plaza. Palm Room of Macfadden-Deau-ville opened with Hughie Barnett's

ville opened with Hughie Barnetts of Beaatonome under the direction of the Beaatonome of the Beaatonome of the Barnets and Circ's teed off last week.

Nelson Eddy in town and giving much time to the entertainment of the strength of the st

Shaw:
Latin Quarter previewed two
shows to 800 service men and women
on Dec. 22, night before its regular
opening.
Al Berlin will name his spot Hurricane when it opens Dec. 29. He
plans eight to 10 vaude acts for his

plans eight to 10 value acts for his floor show.

The New Moon' produced by the Special Services, assisted by Lau-rence Schwab, played three nights to capacity audiences.

San Antonio

National Automio
Betty Reed added at Palace Club.
Gene Fringle orch booked into
Tropics Club.
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Herbte Kay has big advance for
New Year's date at Aud.
Dancers Jack and June Everett
clicking is Kit.
Tallinadae reopening or the
Mountain Top for New Year's Eve
only with Jimmy Klein's orch.
Alamo Downs race crastic ecests.
No legal betting but, plenty on the
side.

side.
S. Hurok's Russian Ballet plays
Muni Aud. Jan. 10 followed by
Clare Tree Major's production of
King of Golden River.' 12; Rise
Stevens, 15 and Richard Crooks, 22.

Reno

By Ted Friend

Somile Tucker booked for Jan. 24

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Minneapolis

day admitted war bond purchasers for the property of the prope

Plays on B'way

Continued from page 37 son, who is a bit older than the other kids is of the same pattern. ouner kins, is of the some pattern. Howard Bay has fashioned a setting that gives the performance the authenticity expected in the home of the scholarly professor. Story is diated in 1996 and the atmosphere is distinctly Russian, without any suggestion of the war. Doe.

Feathers in a Gale

zephyr. Closed Saturday night after seven

RIRTHS

BIRTIN Mr. and Mrs. Hal James, son, Dec. 22, New York. Father is with the rydio designment of the Kastor advisor and the result of the Rastor advisors of the Rastor delay of the Rastor d

Dec. 23. Philadelphia. Father is Philly exhib.

Lt Charles and Mrs. Harris, Jr., on, Dec. 23. Brownsrille. Texas. Father is producer. Mrs. and Mrs. Waller Hyde, daughter. New York Dec. 19. Father is, with the band dept of the William Morris Agency. Mr. and Mrs. William Brodsky, son, New York Dec. 22. Father was on, New York Dec. 22. Father was delphia. General Sting Cr. in Pillsdelphia.

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OBITUARIES

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dramatic shows.
Survived by his wife

CARLEON BRICKERT
Cartion Brickert, 32, radio actor
who appeared on the stage and finds, died at his home in New York
Dec. 23.
He had just finited a rehearsh
of the processor of the stage the American Federati

the American Federation of Hadio Actors when that group was organ-ized in Chicago in 1938. During the 1920s Brickert ap-peared in several Broadway stage plays with Mary Hand, Florence Reed, Olga Petrova and Lenore Ulrich. He also did several film stints. stints.

He is survived by his widow,

Mrs. Kathryn Brickert, and a daugh-ter, Mrs. Edgar Bell

TERY DELAPP
Terrol J. (Terry) DeLapp, 39; publicity director of Universal studio, died Dec. 22 after being hit by an automobile a short distance from his Bollywood borne. Development of the Bollywood borne, Development of the Bollywood borne. Development of the Bollywood borne. Delapp Jr. by a former marriage, his mother and two brothers. Delapp Jr. Graduatie of Diversal work of the Bollywood borners and the Bollywood borners and the Bollywood borners and the Bollywood borners and L. A. Times and was day to the Bollywood borners and L. A. Times and was day to the Bollywood borners and the Bollywood borners an

me publicity staff at Paramount, where he worked his way up to head of the department. Leaving Paramount he organized Terry DeLapp and Associates, a publicity outfit, and in 1942 joined Universal, Just as a unit man and later as director of the staff under John Joseph's supervision.

SIR CARL BUSCH
Sir Carl Busch, 83, composer, died
Dec. 19 in Kansas City, following
an attack of influenza
A resiphon of the Carlos and the C

nown with his compositions. In 1912 he was knighted in the Order of ne was knighted in the Order of Danneborg in Copenbagen, Den-mark, following the premiere of his cantata. The Brown Heather.' For many years he taught com-position in the summer school of the University of Notre Dame.

J. R. PAISLEY
James K. Paidey, 65, ahowman,
ded in Ottow Dec 21. An hour
later his sister died.
Palsiey had been gm, and secretary of Central Canada Exhibition
161-1927, and vice-pres, and directown of Sommight Park Octoe club,
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sociated with D. W. Griffith, and di-rected for Paramount. In recent years he played character parts up to retirement seven years ago.

SARAH LAYIN
Sarah Lavin, 81, former concert singer before the turn of the century, died in Akron, 0, Dec. 25. She toured nation with the New York Orthestra

Miss Lavin directed the Canton Ladies Chorus when it won several national awards, and was known in Cleveland as a church and concert

HOMER H. BOYD
Homer H. Boyd, 68, retired theatre
owner, died Dec. 16 at his home in
owned and operated the Obio theatre
there. In 1827-the opened the Strand
theatre in Alliance, selling it a short
time later io-Ray S. Wallace, managing director of Tri-Theatres, Inc.
Widow and a doughler survive.

MRS. AL WHITE MIRS. All White, wife of producer, died last week in Philadelphia. Mrs. White had designed costumes for the many acts her husband produced. Besides husband: Mrs. White is survived by a son, All White, Mr., member of cast of Connecticut Yankee' at the Martin Beck, N. Y.

BURT F. CALEY
of the Regent, Rocbester, N. Y., died
of a heart attack Dec. 22. He was a
charter member of the local IATSE
and had just been voted a life member. For short periods he had been
manager of the Piccadilly theatre
and of Sea Bereze amusement park.

WALTER C. BOTVIDSON Walter C. Botvidson, 65, stage manager of Orpheum, Minneapolis, was found dead Christmas eve be-hind the wheel of his automobile. hind the wheel of his automobile.

Death resulted from a heart attack.

He had spent the evening with
friends and complained of feeling
fill before departing for home.

DICK FIDLER
Dick Fidler, 44, band and orchestra
leader who played primarily in Columbus and Cleveland, died in Columbus, O., Dec. 25 as a result of a
heat aliment.
His widow, daughter and mother
survive.

ISTVAM PAPAI

Istvam Papai, middleman of the Faludys comedy teeterboard act, was killed in an auto accedent outside of New, Brunswick, N. J., Friday night (24). Further details in vaude sec-

DOC BAKER

Harvey Berger, 63, known profes-sionally as Doe Baker, who did quick change act in vaude, died in sleep Nov. 24, at Spring Lake, Michigan. Widow survives.

William E. Hawes, 87, champion fiddler, was found dead in his home in West Henrietta, near Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 22. He retired 19 years ago after winning six area championships.

Mrs. One Pielow, wife of Ralph Pielow, N. Y. branch manager for Metro, died Dec. 27 of pneumonia. Funeral will be held today (Wednes-

Frank E. Beeth, 57, paymaster at Warners studio since 1926, died Dec. 21 in Santa Monica, Cal., after a long illness.

Wm. (Daredevil) Harris, 38, Negro-parachute jumper and stunt man, died in Minneapolis.

Homer H. Boyd, 69, retired motipicture theatre proprietor, died sud-denly Dec. 17 in Alliance, O.

Father of Herb Rosenthal Music Corporation of America vice presi-dent, died Dec. 25 in New York.

SCRIPTERS' LONDON PLAY

Son, two daughters, three sisters survive.

GUSTAV VON SENFERRITZ Clustav Voic Seyfferlitz, 80, not convert stage and film actor, cited Dec. 25 in Herbert Woodword, London protates provide times prior to film of the English capital cartly in 1644. Phillips and Verdier are writing in early silent days he was set-as as team at RHO.

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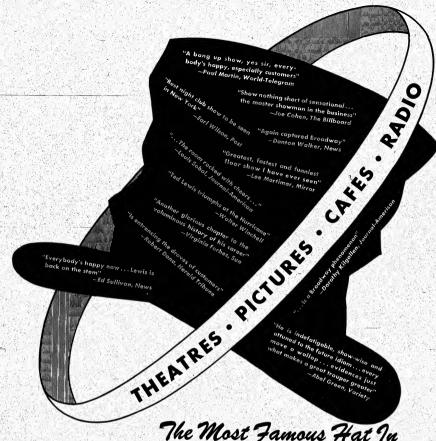
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